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## THE BOYCOTT.

### HONGKONG DELEGATES APPOINTED.

#### NEARING END.

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The Hongkong Government has appointed the Honourable Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., C.B.E. (Attorney-General), and the Honourable Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E. (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), to act as delegates to negotiate with the Canton Government for a settlement of the boycott.

His Majesty's Consul-General, Canton, (Mr. J. F. Brennan), has been authorised to act as delegate in conjunction with the representatives of the Hongkong Government.

The date on which the delegates will proceed to Canton will be fixed as soon as a reply has been received from the Canton Government to the letter notifying the appointment of these delegates.

## OBITUARIES.

### DOCK COMPANY'S SALVAGE ENGINEER.

#### LATE MR. BOLTON.

The death of a well-known figure in local shipping circles is announced in a cable which reached Hongkong this morning, viz. that of Mr. A. Bolton, for twenty years foreman engineer with the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company.

Mr. Bolton was at the time on the Atlantic on his way home, having left Hongkong for home leave by the s.s. "Empress of Canada." He was not in the best of health when he left here but the news of his death came as a shock to his many friends.

Mr. Bolton, who was about 65 years of age, was engineer in charge of all salvage work in connection with the Dock Company, undertaking practically all such work when the "Henry Keavick" was called out for salvage. Among the many difficult tasks which he successfully accomplished was the salvaging of the s.s. "Wisley" which went ashore at Yungro Bay with a load of motor cars and supplies of munitions for Russia.

This was accomplished under peculiarly trying conditions, the salvage party having to camp out on the beach with swamps around and tigers etc., roaming in the background. On this occasion many of the Chinese engaged on the work died as the result of fever and Mr. Bolton had an attack from which he was never entirely free.

Prior to his engagement with the Dock Company, Mr. Bolton had seen service at sea. He was at one time engaged on the Tyne, working together with the late Mr. Neave who was later to become Superintendent of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company.

Mr. Bolton, who had been a keen Volunteer at Home, early associated himself with the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps and with the Scottish Company when it was formed.

Mrs. Bolton with whom much sympathy will be felt, was with her husband when death took place on the s.s. "Montclare." He is also survived by a married daughter at home and a son who is Engineer on the s.s. "Mau Sang" now in port.

## WELL KNOWN HONGKONG SOLICITOR.

#### LATE MR. DENNY.

News has been received in the Colony of the death at Thames Ditton on the 16th inst. of Mr. Henry Lardner Denny, formerly principal in the well-known firm of solicitors, Hastings, Denny and Bowley, and a former Crown Solicitor.

The late Mr. Denny, who is the father of Mr. H. L. Denny, present junior partner in the firm, retired in 1912 after a record of service as solicitor dating back to January, 1874.

After some twenty years of practice here, in the course of which he was made a notary Public, he succeeded Mr. A. B. Johnson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Masters, as Crown Solicitor of Hongkong.

It was a few years previous to this that Mr. Denny had been joined by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley and the firm of Denny and Bowley formed a firm which has progressed at the present day consists of the following principals: Mr. Davidson, formerly of

## ANOTHER SNATCHER.

### CAUGHT BY DISTRICT WATCHMAN.

#### PLEADS GUILTY.

A Chinese pleaded guilty before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning to a charge of stealing a handbag.

Defendant was stated to have snatched the bag from Wong Sui-on, a school-mistress, of No. 6, Tung On Street, while she was at the Western Market yesterday afternoon. A police whistle blown by the complainant drew the attention of a district watchman and he caught the defendant after a chase.

Sentence of six months' hard labour with twelve strokes of the birch was imposed.

## NO LICENCE.

### CRUDE NUMBER PLATE ON A CYCLE.

#### GIVES RIDER AWAY.

With a piece of cardboard serving as a number plate, a Chinese driving motor cycle combination No. 802 was stopped by a traffic officer at Tin Lok Lane yesterday.

The man was before the Magistrate this morning on charges of having no driving licence and carrying a number plate not according to regulation.

Both charges were admitted and were met by a total fine of \$15.

## THE WEATHER.

### MORE RAIN.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow is East winds, fresh to moderate; generally overcast, some rain.

Pressure has increased considerably from N.E. Japan to S. Manchuria, and slightly over central and S.W. Japan. It has decreased slightly over N. Formosa and is nearly stationary elsewhere.

A trough of low pressure extends from N. Indo-China to the east of N. Luzon, with a depression at its western extremity.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.39 inch. Total since January 1, 32.59 inches, against an average of 31.99 inches.

Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, Mr. Bulmer Johnson, nephew of Mr. A. B. Johnson, whom Mr. Denny succeeded as Crown Solicitor, and Mr. H. L. Denny, in more recent times, the position or Crown Solicitor has justified the appointment of a full time Government employee, the last solicitor in private practice to hold the position being Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, who succeeded to the position when the late Mr. H. L. Denny went home in 1900 for a considerable period. The latter returned to the Colony for a few years, retiring, as stated, in 1912.

The late Mr. Denny, who was twice married, is survived by his widow and her daughter and by one son and daughter by his first wife. Two other sons by the first marriage are dead, one being killed in the war and the other, Mr. A. J. Denny, who was with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in Amoy, dying a few months ago. The daughter was married in Hongkong to Lt. Col. Paxton (then a Lieut. in the Engineers).

## CANTON CUSTOMS.

### AUTHORITIES v. UNION MOVEMENT.

#### DIFFICULT POSITION.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, June 15.

The possibility of serious complications as a result of the determined effort made to unionise the Chinese Maritime Customs' native employees here increases every day.

The unions insist that Canton shall be used as the starting place in China of a movement to unionise the Customs' employees, both clerks and labourers. They say that when Canton is "organised" the movement will be extended to other ports.

Colonel Hayley Bell, on the other hand, is said to have set his face against the movement as contrary to all principles of the Customs organisation. He will discharge every man who joins the union, even if the force is thereby crippled.

The Government, outwardly, is taking no hand in the matter, but is always sympathetic to the unions. The danger in the situation is that a sympathetic general strike may be called, and then the only possible retaliation would be to close the port until a new and anti-union force can be set up.

"Particularly Unfortunate."

This new dispute is considered particularly unfortunate at just the time when negotiations for calling off the Hongkong-Canton boycott are beginning to get under way.

In well-informed quarters it is believed that this particular time was chosen to begin the union campaign against the Customs in the belief that principle in the Customs service might be sacrificed to the boycott peace conference, and thus open the way for the unionisation of the service in China's treaty ports.

## NO RECOLLECTION.

SEAMAN WHO IS ALWAYS DRUNK.

## CRAVING LEADS TO THEFT.

Persisting in the habit of getting drunk, a seaman named James Ronan, who was fined on Saturday, found himself before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning on a more serious charge of stealing Chinese wine from a store at Wanchai yesterday afternoon.

A Chinese woman from the wine shop stated in evidence that she motioned to the defendant to go away when he indicated by signs that he wanted liquor. She did this as it was against the conditions of her licence to sell to foreigners. Defendant then walked to the inner part of the shop and helped himself to a bottle of wine. He got out with another bottle to the street and kept on drinking from it regardless of a police whistle blown by the complainant.

Defendant: I don't remember anything about it. I was drunk.

His Worship: That is no excuse. You went there to steal the wine without having a penny to pay for it.

A fine of \$25 was imposed, the alternative being fourteen days' hard labour. On Divisional Inspector Blackman stating that the defendant's ship would be leaving in ten days, the term of imprisonment for default was reduced accordingly. His Worship remarking that it would keep defendant out of harm's way for the time being if he could not pay.

## TWO THEFTS.

The theft of a wrist watch valued at \$50 from the bedroom on board H.M.S. "Tamar" early this week has been reported to the police by Mr. E. Prestley, engine room artificer on the vessel.

In another report from Possession Street where it was alleged a thief got into a house early this morning, the loss in money and jewellery is estimated at \$334.

## BOMB MYSTERY.

### EXPLOSION ON CANTON WARSHIP.

#### DAMAGE CONSIDERABLE.

An explosion on board a Canton warship is reported, to have occurred on Tuesday evening but the affair is wrapped in mystery.

A small gunboat was lying off the East Bund, in Canton harbour. It is thought that a bomb, secreted or thrown amidstships, caused the explosion. The damage is said to have been considerable but details are lacking.

Other small non-Government craft were ignited in places, continues the report, but the Fire Brigade put matters right on these ships.

## CANNON AGAIN.

### POLICE SEIZE ONE ON A JUNK.

#### MASTER'S EXPLANATION.

A raid carried out by the police in the harbour yesterday resulted in the seizure of a cannon which was stated to be similar to the ones which formed the subject of a charge in the case against the master of a Mongkok foundry which concluded yesterday.

Defendant, a junk master, was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with possession. It was stated that he had a permit to keep four pieces of cannon on board the junk, but he had one in excess. Defendant explained that one of them was useless and had not been taken into account. He was, however, fined \$100.

## ST. STEPHEN'S BOYS.

### GIVING NEXT SATURDAY.

#### BY SIR SHOU-SUN CHOW.

On Saturday next at 11.30 a.m. the prizes for 1925 are to be given out by Sir Shou-sun Chow. On account of the illness of the Warden, the Rev. W. H. Hewitt and Sir Shou-sun Chow's absence in Shanghai, it has been necessary to arrange this prize giving at short notice. It is therefore to take place informally in 6, Prospect Place at the end of the morning school. Through lack of time invitations have not been sent out to the function, but it is hoped that the members of the College Council may be able to be present.

## PEKING CABINET.

### WELLINGTON KOO FUTURE PREMIER.

#### SIGNIFICANT STEP.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, June 17.

Dr. Wellington Koo assumed office as Finance Minister this afternoon.

This is taken in some well-informed quarters as indicating that he is destined eventually to become Premier, possibly with Wang Keh-min as Minister of Finance.

## CHINESE PORK.

### NOT A CAUSE OF FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

#### EMBARGO ON DUTCH.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 16.

In the House of Commons Mr. William Thorne (Labourite, Plaistow) asked if the Minister for Agriculture was aware that immediately the importation of Dutch pork was prohibited on account of the alleged infection of foot and mouth disease certain shops in Smithfield began to display pigs imported from China. He asked why there should be differentiation between Dutch and Chinese pork.

Lieut. Col. the Hon. Walter Guinness replied that Chinese pork had been imported into Great Britain for many years, and the Ministry had no evidence that Chinese pork was capable of disseminating foot and mouth disease.

## CANTON AFFAIRS.

### PROPAGANDA TO DRAW U.S. CAPITAL.

#### "CELEBRATING" STRIKE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, June 15.

The Foreign Office is starting a Foreign Propaganda Department under the direction of Dr. Wei Yuk. This department will not handle political propaganda, but will specialise on publicity favourable to Canton for foreign newspapers, particularly those published in the United States. A special effort will be made to secure the publication of newspaper articles in the United States which will be calculated to attract American capital to investments in Kwangtung province.

Now that the Strike Committee has decided to join with the Hongkong Students Union in celebrating the first anniversary of the strike and boycott against Hongkong, the parade and celebration has been deferred from June 16 to June 18.

On June 19 the new city park on the Little Island of Dutch Folly will be formally dedicated. The Association of former American University students will be in charge of the affair. There are now nearly 300 of these returned students from the United States in Kuomintang and civic offices.

War and the Red Cross.

Today the Labour Delegates Union held their second provincial meeting. There were 1,350 delegates present, representing 162 unions, and the sessions will be continued to-morrow.

The 12th division of the Canton Army left this morning by train for Shikwan, for the Northern front.

The local Red Cross Association is now making preparations for service at the Northern front and to attend to the wounded who may be brought here. The Red Cross is buying medicine and supplies, and is sending delegates to Wuchow and other centres to collect money for the work.

The Central Executive Committee has decided to increase the seven departments of its organisation to eight by adding a Political Department. Great interest attaches to the choice of a man for the head of this department, both the radicals and the moderates hoping to land one of their own number.

## ENLARGED CLUB.

### FORMAL OPENING BY GOVERNOR.

#### INSTITUTE INITIATIVE.

The recently enlarged premises of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders (including the adjoining premises of the now defunct Phoenix Club) will be honoured to-day at 5.30 p.m. by the presence of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., on the occasion of the formal opening.

This will not be the first time that the Institute has had the honour of welcoming its honorary President, Sir Cecil Clementi, for on the occasion of the annual dinner in February, His Excellency was the guest of honour and spoke warmly of the work of engineers and shipbuilders, the former having "made the level land on the harbour front and developed the wonderful industry of cutting down hills and throwing them into the sea whilst the shipbuilding industry had given to Hongkong its wealth and importance. He was glad to find himself in the company of men whose craft had made Hongkong what it was to-day."

Reference to the work of the Committee which has been responsible for the enlargement of the Club and an appeal for greater membership to justify it will be made to-day. The occasion will be one of especial significance as the Institute will shortly be losing the services of Mr. B. L. Frost, the President, who for a number of years has given himself wholeheartedly to the furtherance of the Institute and who will be the guest of honour at a special dinner on Saturday night.

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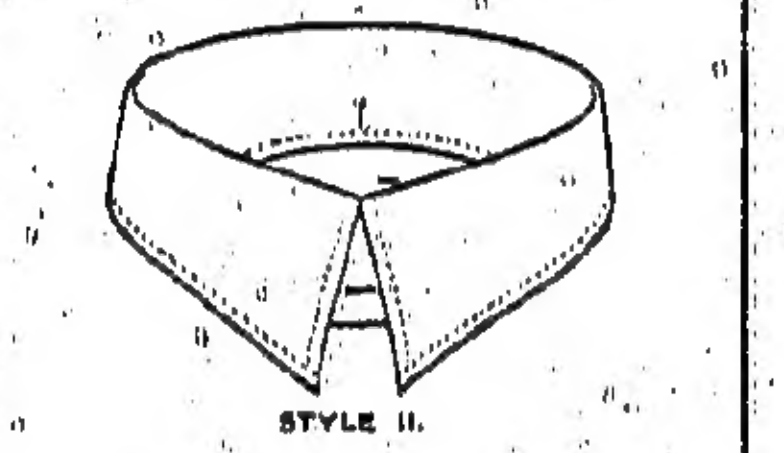


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## NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

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No. 1 of 1924.

In the matter of the Companies Ordinances 1911-1925

and  
In the matter of the Chinese Merchants Bank, Limited,  
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Dividend of Twenty-Five per centum.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a First Dividend of Twenty-Five per centum has been declared in this matter, and that the same may be received at my office, Chartered Bank Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on the 15th day of June, 1926, or on any subsequent week day, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Upon applying for payment creditors must produce the notice sent to them together with any Bills of Exchange, Deposit Receipts, Pass Books or Securities held by them.

JOHN FLEMING, C.A.,  
Liquidator.

Hongkong, 11th June, 1926.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on MONDAY, 21st June, 1926, at 5.15 p.m.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th June, 1926.

## PUBLIC NOTICE.

1.—Will holders of bathing matched permits kindly send in to the undersigned, on or before the 23rd day of June, 1926, answers to the following questions:—

- What is the licence number of your bathing matched and where is it situated?
- To what extent is your bathing matched?
- If you have more than one bathing matched, please fill in answers to the above questions in regard to each of your matchings.

2.—Would members of the public kindly favour the Bathing Beaches Committee with any suggestions they may have to offer for the improvement of bathing facilities in the Colony at existing bathing beaches?

Will they also suggest additional bathing beaches and any schemes for developing the same?  
(Sd.) W. SCHOFIELD,  
Hon. Secretary Bathing Beaches Committee,  
Post Office Building,  
Hongkong, June 12, 1926.

## FORTY YEARS AGO.

HONGKONG IN THE EIGHTEEN-EIGHTIES.

COLONY'S EARLIER DAYS.

Interesting Impressions of An ex-Governor.

We have already given some interesting references to the housing problem in Hongkong forty years ago from Sir William Des Vœux's book, "My Colonial Service." A section of considerable importance remains, namely, an explanation of the reasons which led to the passing of the European Reservation Ordinance of 1888. This measure, it would appear did not refer to the Peak, but provided "that a certain portion of the town should be reserved, not for exclusively European occupation, but for houses built according to European models, and to be occupied in much more limited numbers than is usual with the Chinese."

Housing Reservation.  
Sir William writes on this subject:—

"Another measure which I am informed has proved of inestimable benefit, not only to the European population (to whom the past prosperity of Hongkong is principally due, and on whom its future must largely depend), but even to the richer Chinese, was devised, and the Ordinance for giving it effect was drafted, by myself."

"I refer to the European District Reservation Ordinance of 1888. This measure dealt with an evil which had been recognised by successive Governors for years before my time, and represented the first effort to provide an effective remedy. The high rents obtainable from Chinese-inhabited houses, crowded together as previously described, had caused a continually increasing intrusion of such houses upon the quarter of the town formerly occupied exclusively by Europeans. This result would have been comparatively endurable if it were possible for Europeans to live in health when surrounded by such houses. But unlike the Chinese, who, as I have said, are comparatively insensible to the conditions inseparable from extreme density of population, Europeans are rendered ill and miserable by the effects of habits thereby produced."

"Little by little, but at a gradually increasing rate, the Europeans were being, so to speak, pushed out of the town of Victoria, and it seemed probable that before long there would be no suitable area for their residence there, and that such as remained in the Colony would have to choose between the alternatives of living under these unhealthy conditions or of incurring the heavy expense, possible only to the comparatively wealthy, of residence in the hill district."

"This, in the long run, would, as diminishing the European population, have been prejudicial to the Chinese themselves. For though possessed of many valuable characteristics, they are still, and are likely to be for a long time to come, lacking in the qualities essential to true progress. Without the presence of a considerable complement of Europeans, the Colony would no more maintain, than it could have achieved, its existing prosperity."

"Holding this view strongly, I accordingly provided in this Ordinance that a certain portion of the town should be reserved, not for exclusively European occupation, but for houses built according to European models, and to be occupied in much more limited numbers than is usual with Chinese. If Chinese should choose to build houses there, and to live in accordance with these conditions, there was nothing to prevent their doing so; and I am told that in the years which have since elapsed a considerable number of the well-to-do among them have, in fact, availed themselves of this privilege, while the law has well fulfilled its principal object."

"It is to the credit of the landowners, whose interest was unquestionably affected, that they offered no opposition to this Ordinance; while no objections were made to it, as I had anticipated, on the ground that it was a class measure. In fact, as meeting a generally recognised want, it passed unanimously in Council, and met with general approbation on the part of the Chinese as well as Europeans."

[To be continued.]

TWO LIMERICKS.  
There was a young piper named Sandy  
Whose piping was sweeter than candy  
But, wedding a wife  
From the Kingdom of Fife  
He afterwards took to old brandy.

## SERIOUS OUTRAGE.

FOREIGNER SAVAGELY TREATED.

INVESTIGATION ORDERED.

Tungchow, June 5.—A very serious outrage upon a foreigner, Mr. Shaw, of the British-American Tobacco Co. occurred on Friday last, at Tungchow. Mr. Shaw was on a houseboat, in company with several junks, which were unloading cargo belonging to his Company. It appears that a number of Fengtien soldiers went into the river for a bathe, and that one of them was drowned. Mr. Shaw, who was reading in his cabin at the time, was not even a witness of the occurrence, which had nothing to do with his houseboat or his junks. But a cry was at once started that the foreigner was responsible, and a number of Fengtien soldiers rushed on board the houseboat, bound up Mr. Shaw, struck him with a bamboo pole, and then took him ashore and tied him up keeping a revolver pointed at his head for several minutes. Meanwhile the soldiers were clamouring for him to be shot. Mr. Shaw's interpreter and his laohai were also seized, bound, and savagely beaten.

Eventually all three were released, but the name, rank and regiment of the ringleader in his outrage have been noted, and it is to be hoped that drastic punishment will be insisted upon by the American authorities.

We understand that on hearing of the outrage General Chang Hsueh-liang immediately telegraphed to Tungchow ordering an investigation to be made—"P. and T. Times."

## LEVEL-HEADED WENCHOW.

UTTER FAILURE TO STIR MOB PASSION.

Wenchow, June 2.—May 30th, so far as this outpost is concerned, proved to be one of the quietest and most peaceful days of the past 12 months, says the Wenchow Correspondent of the "N.C. Daily News." Many rumours and forecasts of what was to happen on this date had been prevalent during the month and seeds of distrust and hatred had been profusely sown by the native press, and by speeches week by week, but somehow these efforts seemed to bear very little fruit.

Official Restraint.  
Several reasons may be assigned for this comparative failure to stir up mob passion. First of all, it is only fair to acknowledge the temper and attitude of the local officials as being emphatically for peace and goodwill. They have given rein to the young student class, but have never ceased to govern and restrain at the right time. Their policy has been one of allowing a certain amount of "steam" to escape, believing it would conduce to safety.

A second reason for our immunity from serious local trouble may be found in the increased prosperity of shopkeepers and traders generally within the city during the past 12 months.

There are many outward and visible signs of this in all parts of the city. The umbrella trade has had a boom year. The leather bag industry has become a huge one. While living costs have considerably advanced, there has not seemed any money stringency amongst the people. Good trade is undoubtedly one great influence in preserving the peace of a Chinese city.

Then, it is due to the Wenchowese to acknowledge their level-headedness. They have a good record of over 40 years without an anti-foreign riot. The leading gentry and the heads of various Guilds give a good lead to the people in inclining to peace and in pursuing it.

Bolsheviks Unsuccessful.  
That we have an unfriendly and very real antagonistic element living in our midst would be foolish to deny. Bolshevik agents and propaganda have done, and are still doing, all they can to unsettle public opinion and good feeling. Our judgment is that they find very little good soil to work on.

The wheat crop has been safely harvested and proved a good one in all districts. The rice fields are now gloriously green with promising young stalks which show that a good beginning of this all important cereal crop has been made. "H.M.S. 'Petersfield'" arrived here on May 29, and left for Ningbo before noon on May 30.

Jimmy was on the road to Sunday school when the minister of the church approached.

"Ah," said the clergyman, "I can't find you going off to Sunday school again. You love to go, don't you?"

Jimmy gave a reluctant nod.

"And what do you expect to learn to-day, my boy?" asked the minister.

"The date of the strike, sir," replied Jimmy, with enthusiasm.

## AMERICA AND TARIFFS.

WASHINGTON PACT MUST BE CARRIED OUT.

Peking, June 11.—Silas Strawn, the Chicago lawyer who is representing the United States at the Peking Customs conference threw a wrench into the machinery at today's gathering of the delegates, more or less to the dismay of the Japanese representatives.

It was known that the American position in the conference is opposed to any delay in bringing into effect the provision of the agreement entered into at the Washington Conference regarding tariff increases in China.

Mr. Strawn made this most emphatic when he rose and declared in plain phrasing that there had been over-much delay, adding that he believed the conference should proceed with its work as rapidly as possible and bring about some kind of a conclusion. His words left no doubt that the American attitude reflects the keenest desire to bring into effect at the earliest moment the increases pledged to China at the Washington meeting.

Japanese delegates who previously had obtained one postponement of the conference, as was foreshadowed in preceding reports, again sought a postponement and their position is supported in some measure by other powers reluctant immediately to enter into any binding agreement, largely on the ground that with conditions in Peking as they are, politically and otherwise, any Chinese signatures to a new pact may later be called into question.

What coming days will bring in connection with the conference may not now be guessed but the American position is well defined and while it does not desire to rush into any conclusion there is evident a feeling of impatience over any further needless delay in reaching a decision.—"United Press."

## MARAUDING PARROTS.

ADDITIONS TO THE ZOO.

The Zoo has purchased two very interesting parrots from New Zealand. They are keas, the marauding parrot of evil reputation rapidly becoming exterminated. The history of the kea is unique. Unlike other parrots, which feed upon seeds, the kea preyed, in the first place, upon insects, and, like all parrots, it had also a natural partiality for fat.

Now in the South Island, where it lives, it learned to raid the sheep farms where skins were pegged out to dry, and it picked up the fat and that helped to clean them. This would have been very right and proper, but the kea, having acquired a passion for sheep's fat, and being at the same time endowed with a terrific, highly curved beak, found it still tastier to take the fat from living sheep than from grazing sheep, taking a firm hold with its claws, pecking away the fat which is just round the sheep's kidneys, the sheep dying from the most shocking wounds in consequence.

Recently the kea became such a pest that sheep farms were ruined by them, and they are now being exterminated. Besides very wicked beaks, they have an intelligent but naughty expression. The eaters on the back and tail are brownish green and those on the breast brownish yellow. The Zoo's very fortunate in having got a pair of these birds.



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## KUOMINGHUN FORCES.

FURTHER PREPARATIONS TO ATTACK THEM.

Peking, June 10.—Allied preparations for a general attack on the Kuominchun are now said to be progressing quickly. General Chu Yu-pu, who returned to Peking from Tientsin yesterday, visited the Shaoh front yesterday afternoon with General Tien Wei-chin.

Four divisions commanded by Generals Wang Wei-wai, Wang Wei-ching, Wei Yi-san and Tien Wei-chin are on their way to Hualai, Hsuanhuafu and Shaho. It is reported that Marshal Wu Pei-fu will command all the forces operating on the Nankou front as soon as arrangements have been completed.

The Kuominchun guns at Nankou have not replied to the artillery fire during the last few days, and it is thought that possibly the Kuominchun heavy guns have been sent on to Kalgan and that the pass is only lightly held.—Reuter.

General Tien Wei-chin's and General Wang Wei-yu's troops have begun a forward movement towards Hualai for the purpose of attacking on a large scale upon the rear of the Kuominchun forces at Hsuanhuafu. At these fronts Marshal Wu Pei-fu himself is taking chief command of his armies.

Tientsin, June 10.—At the preliminary conference for the expected personal conference between Marshal Chang Tso-lin and Marshal Wu Pei-fu which is being conducted here between the representatives of the two Marshals, both parties have already reached an agreement as to the problems of military affairs. But inasmuch as Marshal Chang's delegates are avoiding a clear expression of their political views, Marshal Wu's representatives are only submitting plans by conjecturing Marshal Chang's mind.

A Definite Plan.  
It is, however, generally inferred that as Marshal Wu's representatives have been able to perceive Marshal Chang's mind at several meetings, the former will bring a definite plan before the conference. Moreover, it appears that the Conference will be brought to a satisfactory close very soon by General Yang Yuting's participation in the negotiations.

Tientsin, June 9.—According to Mr. Sun Jun-yu, the Chief Secretary of the Cabinet, though the preliminary conference for the personal conference between Marshal Chang Tso-lin and Marshal Wu Pei-fu has not so far taken concrete shape, the conference will immediately be brought to a successful end, if there appears the lawn of settlement, as the pourparlers is limited to the discussion of the outline. General Yang Yuting, who arrived here to-day, is expected to interview Generals Chang Chih-tan and Chang Chih-hung, the representatives of Marshal Wu Pei-fu to-night.

It is generally believed that General Yang's interview will greatly help the development of the Conference.—"Toho."

## FALL OF EARTH.

THREE BOYS KILLED.

A terrible tragedy occurred at Hartley in the Rockhampton district of Queensland on May 9, when three boys of a party of our were killed through a fall of earth. Great difficulty was experienced in recovering the bodies of the boys having to stand up to their armpits in a creek into which the boys were buried by the debris.

The four boys went for an outing to Loggloombah Creek, about half a mile from Hartley, the well-known State coal mining centre on the North Coast railway, but the outing came to an end with most tragic results, involving the lives of three of the boys, and the miraculous escape of the fourth. The four boys, Fred Hayes (7), Robert Thomas (7), Matthew Odger (9), and Thomas Hayes (12), were sitting on the bank of the creek which had a dip of about 40 ft. to the water. With dramatic suddenness about 80 tons of earth broke away and the boys were sent headlong with the material into the creek. One of the boys, Thomas Hayes, managed to escape though he was considerably bruised, and had his clothes torn off. This boy brought the news of the dreadful happening into Hartley and no time was lost in sending out assistance. A party numbering fully 80 hurried to the scene, but it was found that there was very little hope of recovering any of the boys alive. After much difficulty the bodies were eventually recovered.

London, May 30.—Prince Jassary Singh of Soudia died in poverty in a boarding house in London.

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## THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on June 1, 1926.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1925	1926
Tytam	39.8 B.	18.5 B.
Tytam Bywash	23.9 B.	17.4 B.
Tytam Intermediate	14.10 B.	Level.
Tytam Tuk	40.4 B.	23.8 B.
Wong Nei Chung	40.6 B.	21.10 B.
Pokfulam	25.5 B.	20.6 B.

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow" figures are not in feet and decimals, but in fact in millions and decimals of gallons.]

	1925	1926
Tytam	129.48	246.95
Tytam Bywash	1.17	4.27
Tytam Intermediate	122.02	195.90
Tytam Tuk	620.68	744.68
Wong Nei Chung	6.00	58.4
Pokfulam	14.70	23.50

Total 893.98 1,223.64

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May:—

	1925	1926
Consumption	257.45	254.95
Estimated population	391,230	401,600
Consumption per head per day (gallons)	2.7	21.3

Constant Supply in the Rider Main Districts during May 1925 excepting the Rider Main Districts West of Garden Road to which an intermittent supply was given from 25th May.

Constant Supply in all Rider Main Districts during May 1926.

## KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1925	1926
Kowloon Gravitation	24.6 B.	5.11 B.
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	Under construction	19.11 B.

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1925	1926
Kowloon Gravitation	149.86	298.89
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	Under construction	92.63

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1925	1926
Consumption	79.55	72.88
Estimated population	150,160	155,200
Consumption per head per day (gallons)	17.2	15.1

Full Supply in all districts during May 1925 and 1926.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total Rainfall to 31st May 23.52 in. in 1925 and 36.35 in. in 1926.

H. T. CREASY,  
Water Authority.

Public Works Department.

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Ching Bi Yok No. 40 Nammbong Shaukiu, from Tokyo  
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Liang Yat Chen 66 Babbling Street, from Shanghai  
Choy Yuen, from Shanghai  
Kheong Shui, from Amoy  
Goranzai, from Dairi

S. ELACK,  
Acting Superintendent,  
Hongkong Station, 10th June, 1926.

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Laplace, from Diego Soares  
Lennor, Thomson, Wardley, from London  
Mansoor, from Manila  
Mucchi, from Amoy, from Tientsin  
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E. J. PATERSON,  
Superintendent,  
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SUMATRA MARU Saturday, 19th June.

CELEBES MARU Sunday, 4th July.

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CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

BINGO MARU Friday, 25th June.

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"KARNATA"	5,318	15th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"PADUA"	5,307	15th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"KASHMIR"	5,307	15th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"KARNATA"	5,307	15th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"DELTA"	5,307	15th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	15th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	15th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	15th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,105	15th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MORUA"	9,114	15th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,114	15th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,948	15th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARNATA"	9,118	15th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	15th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DELTA"	5,307	15th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	15th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	15th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

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## BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS.

S. S.	Tons	From HONGKONG (Approx)	DESTINATION
"SANTIA"	7,954	7th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TILAWA"	10,006	14th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALAMBA"	8,018	14th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"SHIRALA"	7,841	21st July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALMA"	10,000	28th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

## EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	Tons	From HONGKONG (Approx)	DESTINATION
"ARAFURA"	8,000	19th June	Manila, Davao, Zamboanga, Port Rangoon, Thana Island, Towns ville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	30th July	
"TANDA"	6,958	27th Aug.	

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The E. & A. S.S. Co. Ltd. steamers will also call at Shanghai, Davao, Cebu,  
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The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamers for Southampton and  
London, via Panama Canal.

## SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

S. S.	Tons	From HONGKONG (Approx)	DESTINATION
"ALPINE"	5,773	20th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILAWA"	1,708	27th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHMIR"	5,307	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALAMBA"	8,018	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SHIRALA"	7,841	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"RANPURA"	10,006	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DELTA"	5,307	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TALMA"	10,000	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TANDA"	6,958	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KALYAN"	9,144	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,105	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MORUA"	9,114	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,114	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MANTUA"	10,948	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARNATA"	9,118	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	15th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.  
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\*Passengers for Rangoon must defray their own Hotel expenses at  
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## PASSENGER LIST.

### DEPARTURES.

List of passengers departed by  
the a.s. "Empress of Asia" for  
Manila, on June 16:-  
Mr. C. Andretta, Mrs. C. C.  
Ammerman, Miss E. Baker, Mr.  
Chan Ta, Miss E. Elzeaser, Mr.  
Max Frantz, Lt. and Mrs. A. L.  
Fulton, Mr. J. F. Forbes, Mr. and  
Mrs. D. G. Fay, Mr. and Mrs. J. A.  
Haver, Mr. Hela Ching-ming, Mr.  
N. B. Jitsoff, Mr. and Mrs. N. C.  
Jewitt, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kaegi,  
Mr. A. Knowles, Mr. F. S. Laws,  
Mr. H. Landan, Mr. G. D. Moss,  
Miss G. E. Malone, Mr. B. A.  
Padon, Madame, La S. V. M.  
Romanio, Lt. and Mrs. H. P. Rush,  
Mr. Shu Dji-fang, Mr. Satch, Lt.  
and Mrs. J. N. Spry, Mr. N. E.  
Stadig, Mrs. G. Singlang, Miss K.  
Uchino, Capt. A. Vollmer, Mr.  
Wang Wei-ying, Lt. Col. L. G.  
Walls, Lt. Dr. H. Yasuyama, Mr.  
Yap Plo-chi and Mr. P. V. Y.  
Yantue.

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Mr. J. Goodyear Mr. and Mrs. A.  
Mr. J. de B. list Mr. and Mrs. A.  
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Mr. J. N. B. Mody Mr. P. Wood  
Mr. O. Neslin Mr. G. Wrasge

### BY AIR TO HOSPITAL.

### BATTERED MINER'S FLIGHT.

Sydney, May 12.-Mr. Andrew  
Brookes, aged 56 years, a miner  
with a fractured spine and other  
injuries arrived in Sydney today  
from Broken Hill, after having  
travelled 700 miles by air and an-  
other 300 miles by rail. Mr.  
Brookes, who is accompanied by  
Sister Parker, of the Broken Hill  
Hospital, made the visit to Sydney  
for treatment. On his arrival at  
the Central Railway Station early  
this morning by the southern mail  
train he was conveyed immedi-  
ately by the central district ambulance  
to the Coast Hospital, where he  
now lies resting from the trials  
of his long journey.

The story of the miner's accident,  
and his subsequent long fight to  
seek recovery against great odds,  
is a thrilling one. On November  
20, 1924, Mr. Brookes fell down the  
chute of the South Block mine, and  
had his spine, right ankle, right  
hip, left leg, and several ribs  
broken. From that day until yes-  
terday he was an inmate of the  
Broken Hill Hospital. Finding  
that he was progressing but slowly,  
Mr. Brookes decided to make  
the hazardous journey to Sydney  
at all costs, and obtain the "best  
treatment possible."

A story is told of a certain  
famous General Officer, in the  
following words: "We met  
a stretcher coming down and he  
stood up and said: 'Your corps  
commander salutes the dead,'  
and the stretcher, which was a  
paralytic drunk, says gloomily:  
'What's he says? What's the old  
dear say? Isn't he going to kiss  
me? Kiss me, 'ardy, I'm wound-  
ed, mortu-ally, I fear.'"

### CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s.  
"Malaya" are reminded that goods  
remaining undelivered after to-  
morrow will be subject to rent.

## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

### VESSELS DUE.

### FROM DALNY AND AMOY.

June 17.-J.O.J.L. Tikiarom  
July 14.-J.O.J.L. Tikiarom

### FROM SHANGHAI.

June 17.-O.N. Kingchow  
18.-N.Y.E. Katori Maru  
19.-M.M. Andros Lebon  
20.-S Line Pras Pierce  
21.-A.O.L. Pras Jefferson  
22.-O.P.S. Emp. of Canada  
23.-J.O.J.L. Tikiarom  
24.-A.O.L. Pras Grant  
25.-O.C.L. Pras Madelon  
26.-A.O.L. Pras Jackson  
27.-A.O.L. Pras McKinley  
28.-A.O.L. Pras Jefferson

### FROM SINGAPORE.

June 19.-P. & O. Alipore  
21.-B. F. Audubon  
22.-B. F. Auditor  
23.-B. F. Doulos  
24.-B. F. Asphalon

### FROM MANILA.

June 18.-N.Y.E. Aki Maru  
19.-S Line Pras Cleveland  
20.-A.O.L. Pras McKinley  
21.-O.P.S. Empress of Asia  
22.-O.P.S. Empress of Canada  
23.-B. F. Audubon  
24.-B. F. Auditor  
25.-B. F. Doulos  
26.-B. F. Asphalon

### FROM BOMBAY.

July 6.-P. & O. Alipore  
18.-N.Y.E. Aki Maru  
19.-S Line Pras Cleveland  
20.-A.O.L. Pras McKinley  
21.-O.P.S. Empress of Asia  
22.-O.P.S. Empress of Canada  
23.-B. F. Audubon  
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### FROM CALCUTTA.

June 20.-B. I. Talamba  
21.-B. I. Talamba  
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**DEATHS.**

**BOLTON.**—On May 16, at sea  
on voyage Home, Andrew  
Adams Bolton, for 20 years  
foreman engineer, Hongkong  
and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.

**CARTWRIGHT.**—On May 4, at  
Parkside Maternity Home,  
W6, Elsie Louisa, aged 32,  
the dearly beloved wife of  
B. O. Cartwright, formerly of  
Bangkok, following the birth  
of a daughter (still born).

**DENNYS.**—On June 10, at  
Thames Ditton, Surrey,  
Henry Lardner Denys,  
Senior. (By cable).

**MORGAN.**—On June 6, 1926,  
at Wokingham, Berkshire,  
William Francis Morgan,  
(Late Superintendent, The  
Eastern Extension Telegraph  
Co.)

Hongkong, Thursday, June 17, 1926.

**QUITE INADEQUATE.**

Amongst the questions dealt  
with at this week's meeting of the  
Sanitary Board was a query by  
Dr. Koch as to whether the staff  
of Sanitary Inspectors was  
numerically sufficient to cope with  
the increase of work in the Colony  
and to allow for sickness and  
Home leave. In his reply the  
President of the Board made what  
can only be regarded as a very  
remarkable statement. He re-  
minded members that the Govern-  
ment had been supplied with  
figures in 1925 upon which the  
Board had based recommenda-  
tions for a considerable increase  
in the staff of Sanitary Inspectors.  
In these wonderful figures, of  
which he boasted so much, full  
allowance was made, he claimed,  
for the incidence of ordinary and  
sick leave.

Let us consider this consider-  
able increase as disclosed in the  
official minute which he laid on  
the table for the information of  
the members:

Taking Senior, First Class and  
Second Class Inspectors as a  
whole the 1925 strength was 42.  
In its recommendations for 1926  
the Board recommended adding  
10 more to this number. The  
1926 Estimates were considered  
at a time of great uncertainty  
(due to the strike) and the Presi-  
dent was told that a 25 per cent.  
increase at such a time could not  
be contemplated. After discus-  
sion, five additional Inspectors  
were authorized and ap-  
peared in the 1926 Estima-  
tes; there was, how-

ever, a stipulation that their  
actual recruitment must depend  
upon an improved financial out-  
look this year. Early this year  
there were three retirements: One  
of these was filled by a local ap-  
pointment, leaving a shortage of  
two even on the 1925 basis. As  
this made the Department short-  
handed, the President induced  
the Government to cable the  
Crown Agents for a further three  
trained men from Home, and  
these will doubtless soon be sent  
out. It will be seen that one of  
the additional five Inspectors who  
appear in the 1926 Estimates has  
thus been approved. The Presi-  
dent added that he proposed to  
wait a month or two before rais-  
ing again the question of the  
other four.

The cream of the joke comes in  
the final paragraph of the Presi-  
dent's remarks as reported in  
the Press yesterday:

The Board has recommended  
for 1927 a further five Inspectors  
so that if these are ap-  
proved there will be on paper  
the ten excess over the 1925  
figure as was originally asked for.

When the needs of the Colony  
are considered, and when it is re-  
membered that the staff of Sanitary  
Inspectors has been at a  
truly shocking minimum for  
years, we can only marvel that  
anybody can lay claim to the use  
of the word *considerable* in a re-  
commendation to increase the per-  
sonnel by only a trifling ten over  
the 1925 strength. But even that  
*considerable* increase of ten souls  
over the number last year is just  
a paper increase, for only five  
more have been sanctioned for the  
present year of grace and the Presi-  
dent and the whole Board may  
have to go down on their bended  
knees to the still higher authori-  
ties to secure sanction for an  
additional five not this year—oh,  
dear no! that would be moving far  
too swiftly—but for 1927!! And  
that, we are told, constitutes a  
*considerable* increase over the  
figures for 1925!

One can fully appreciate the  
difficulties of an official in the  
position of President of the Sanitary  
Board. He has not a free rein.  
Everything he does must first come  
under the purview and receive the  
gracious sanction of the higher  
authorities. Thus, as already indicated,  
he points out that the 1926 Estimates  
were considered at a time of great  
uncertainty owing to the strike, and  
he was told that a 25 per cent.  
increase at such a time could not  
be contemplated. Even then it  
was made clear to him—also  
by the aforesaid higher authori-  
ties—that the actual recruit-  
ment of the paltry five additional  
Inspectors authorized for this  
year must depend upon an im-  
proved financial outlook this year.  
Then he continues the sad  
chronicle of events. Three In-  
spectors retired early this year.  
One was replaced locally, leaving  
still two vacancies. And we can  
well imagine the emotion in  
his voice as he told the members  
of the Board that he was  
able to induce the Government  
to cable for a further three  
trained men from Home. Who  
would be the President of a Sanitary

Board under these condi-  
tions? We certainly sympathise  
with the difficulties that he and  
the members of the Board  
as a whole have to contend  
with. But we only regret  
that he had recourse to that  
significant word *considerable* in  
referring to the increases that had  
been recommended. What are 52  
Sanitary Inspectors in a Colony  
of the size of Hongkong? Why,  
that number is utterly inadequate  
to cope with the essential require-  
ments of Kowloon, let alone any  
other part of the Colony.

Why cannot the Government  
for once in a way take the initia-  
tive and itself concentrate on the  
problem of public health and  
sanitation in a statesmanlike  
way? It need not have the slight-  
est fear of public criticism. It  
will have the public behind it all  
the time!

**MISS DORIS WOODS.**

**SUCCESS WITH "QUAINTS"**  
**IN F.M.S.**

**MR. SALISBURY'S TRIBUTE.**

Glowing accounts are to hand  
from Singapore in reference to the  
appearance of Miss Doris Woods  
with Mr. Salisbury's Company in  
"No, No, Nanette" and the "Sport  
of Kings."

Considering the short time she  
had for rehearsals, her excellent  
performance is the more remark-  
able, and called forth a personal  
cable from Mr. Salisbury stating  
the facts of her success on the  
opening night.

The company are now playing  
through the F.M.S. and the book-  
ing in Kuala Lumpur has been a  
record.

After Penang the Company  
leaves for Rangoon, and perform-  
ances open in Calcutta on July 9.

**MODEL VILLAGE IN WALES.**

**REVOLT AGAINST**  
**UGLINESS.**

Fired by a desire to reform  
the squalor of the Welsh villages,  
the mean-looking, ugly, gaunt  
and unkempt houses and ghastly  
chapels, Mr. R. G. Williams-  
Ellis, a well-known decorative  
artist, is, (says the London  
"Morning Post") building a little  
village on a promontory of the  
rugged coast near Portmadoc to  
show the miracle of improvement  
that wise architecture could effect  
in the Principality. He has  
shown to a "Morning Post" re-  
presentative a model of the ideal  
community he hopes to create and  
name Port Meirion in the tiny,  
unspoiled estuary which lies be-  
tween Snowdon and Cader-Idris.

My aim (he said) is to bring  
into existence a village as beauti-  
ful as any that lie on the shores  
of the Riviera or the slopes of  
Italian hills, and to make my  
colony of houses as native to the  
soil and as much in harmony with  
the lovely surroundings as any  
white-walled townships of the  
South.

The speculative builder I shall  
debar from any attempt to spoil  
this settlement on my land. More  
dwellings may be added to those  
I plan, but not until the designs  
have been scrutinized and passed.  
Apart from the picturesque  
that the beautiful coastal scenery  
and the climate will permit in my  
architectural schemes, I mean to  
give the houses all the comforts  
that modern thought has contrived.

Both my wife—Mr. St. Loe  
Strachey's daughter—and I are  
lovers of Wales, and this project  
is partly a revolt from the ugliness  
in which the Principality  
has been steeped by the builders.  
To enjoy the magnificent scenery  
of the country one must ignore  
the depressing villages and terri-  
ble industrial camps. No one  
has bothered to plant trees; there  
are no flowers in the cottage  
gardens, and as soon as a town  
obtains a little money it breaks  
out into red roofs and the ridicu-  
lous follies of sham half-timber  
work.

Lodging-houses in England are  
ugly enough, but in most Welsh  
seaside resorts the natural beauty  
of the place is powerless to com-  
pete against the flimsy and pre-  
tentious hideousness by which the  
visitor is supposed to be pleased.

Alexandria.—The Govern-  
ment has suspended the recently  
elected Municipal Commission for  
six months owing to the inability  
of the members to work har-  
moniously together. The pre-  
vious Commission was similarly  
dissolved at the beginning of the  
year. "Times of Ceylon."

**THREE SALES.**

**LITTLE BIDDING IN TWO**  
**INSTANCES.**

**CITY PROPERTY.**

Two lots of property, disposed  
of with only one increase, in the  
case of the second lot put up, were  
sold at the China Auction Rooms  
yesterday.

An area of 1,642 sq. ft., com-  
prising in Sub-Section 1 of Section  
C. of Inland Lot No. 157 and con-  
taining building No. 4 Po Wa  
Street, was sold at the opening  
price of \$12,500 to Mr. Lo Kwan.  
The annual Crown rent is \$9.83.  
An area of about 676 sq. ft.  
and containing among other land  
in Sub-Section 4 of Section A of  
Inland Lot No. 684, buildings  
known as No. 49 High Street, was  
sold to Mr. Wong Heung-cho, of  
82, Wellington Street, for \$10,200,  
this being \$200 advance on the  
opening price. The annual Crown  
rent is \$4.55.

Bidding was very steady at  
Lammert Bros. auction rooms yes-  
terday when Sub-section 2 of  
Section D. of Inland Lot No. 1355  
was put up for sale. The prop-  
erty comprised No. 2 Ching Lin  
Terrace (formerly known as No.  
2, Li Sing Kui Road).  
The upset price of \$10,000 was  
increased to \$13,000 at which  
price Mr. Lee Cheong, of Canton,  
became the owner.

**KIDNAPPED BANKER.**

**ESCAPES BY LEAPING FROM**  
**HOUSE.**

Shanghai, June 10.—After being  
kidnapped by bandits and held for  
a ransom of \$45,000, a wealthy  
Chinese banker escaped from cap-  
tivity and eluded his captors early  
on Tuesday morning by jumping  
through the second-storey window  
of the house where he was detain-  
ed. Although he fell 13 feet to the  
ground, he was not injured, and was  
able to communicate with the  
police. His captors did not follow  
him because they were sound asleep  
when he escaped.

The hero of this remarkable ex-  
ploit is Mr. Koh Sun-ching, a direc-  
tor of the Tsung Dah bank, 51B,  
Kiangse Road. He was kidnapped  
by three bandits near his home at  
646 Seymour Road late on Monday  
night. When he reached the bot-  
tom of the alleyway leading to his  
home at 11.30 p.m., he set his richest  
coolie to see if the door was un-  
locked. The coolie was intercepted by  
a Chinese wearing foreign clothes,  
who flourished a pistol. Simul-  
taneously, three Chinese pulled the  
banker out of his riches and  
bundled him into a waiting motor  
car.

**Pushed Into Car.**

Under the menacing point of  
the pistol, the man could not move.  
Meanwhile, the car was started,  
carrying off the banker, and  
as it passed the coolie, he was hand-  
ed a letter for transmission to the  
banker's wife asking for ransom of  
\$45,000 as the price of her hus-  
band's release.

The banker was bound and  
blindfolded, but not sufficiently to  
prevent him seeing the route taken  
by the car, which passed over Mark-  
ham Road bridge into Chapel. He  
was taken to a room on the second  
floor and thrown on the floor, while  
his captors stretched themselves  
out and soon began to snore.

**Jumped Thirteen Feet.**

Seizing his opportunity, the  
banker jumped through the window,  
a distance of 13 feet, and by taking  
a circuitous route and dodging  
about, believing himself pursued,  
he reported the affair to the 5th  
sub-station about 5 a.m. Informa-

**THE CANNON CASE.**

**CHINESE FOUNDRY MASTER**  
**CONVICTED.**

**A HEAVY SENTENCE.**

After a hearing extending over  
a considerable period, Li Tak,  
master of a Mongkok foundry, was  
found guilty at the Kowloon  
Magistracy yesterday of unlawful  
possession of six dismantled can-  
non and spare parts.

Mr. H. S. Fitzroy, prior to his  
address for the defence, read an  
extract from the trial of Steink  
Morrison in which the judge in his  
summing up to the jury said:  
"Before you can say he is guilty  
you must be convinced that the  
evidence can only be explained  
upon the assumption that he is  
guilty."

Continuing, he said that the de-  
fendant was charged with being in  
possession of what appeared to be  
cannon. There was no doubt that  
they could be used as cannon but  
the contention of the defence was  
that the articles were seized by  
the Police before they were com-  
pleted.

The defendant received orders  
for the manufacture of six  
machines and he was merely the  
man who made them and not the  
person who designed them.

He then went on to refer to the  
evidence given of the raid and  
said that the articles when com-  
pleted were not concealed in any  
way but thrown about the yard of  
the premises. They were per-  
fectly open and could be seen by  
anybody. He submitted that that  
was not the action of a guilty man  
if he knew that he had done any-  
thing that was illegal.

Everything that the defendant  
did, Mr. Fitzroy said, was in ac-  
cordance with honesty and he had  
done nothing to evade the law.  
The man was given orders to make  
certain machines and the question  
as to whether they were efficient  
or commercially sound, was irrele-  
vant to the defendant, whose duty  
was merely to complete the order  
given and have the articles deliver-  
ed.

The defendant acted in every way  
as an innocent man. He had been  
in jail for the last month and  
Counsel would ask his Worship to  
find that everything was done in  
accordance with the plans. The  
articles were to be used in a state  
that would make it impossible for  
them to be used as cannon.

His Worship said that the evi-  
dence showed quite clearly that on  
the day of the seizure the contri-  
vances were cannon and parts of  
cannon and he had no difficulty in  
finding the defendant guilty. He  
was charged with possession of the  
articles and on the question of  
guilty knowledge, the defendant  
asked the Bench to believe that he  
did not know what a cannon looked  
like. His Worship was unable to  
believe the statement, and the de-  
fendant was therefore convicted on  
the charge.

A fine of \$1,000 with the alter-  
native of two months' hard labour,  
with an extra six months' im-  
prisonment without hard labour, was  
imposed.

On the application of Inspector  
Pincott, His Worship made an order  
for the confiscation of the can-  
non.

A Chinese woman who was bitten  
in the wrist by a dog was sent to  
the Kowloon Hospital yesterday  
for treatment. The animal, be-  
longing to Miss Remedios, of Peace  
Avenue, Homantin, was taken to  
Kennedy Town.

tion was later communicated to the  
Municipal police.

The Chinese police raided the  
house where the banker was held,  
but it was found to be empty. The  
car used for the kidnapping was  
found abandoned in Boone Road.

**Poets' Corner.**

**WEST LAKE**

(Written Two Years After A Visit To Hangchow.)

Far from waves of mountain high,  
Over which few birds can fly;  
Underneath a Chinese sky—  
West Lake!

Crowning ranges east and west,  
Feathering olden emperors' nest;  
Paradise of healthful rest—  
West Lake!

Mirror of those perfect scenes;  
Temples' feet its water cleans;  
Sight of which the dear babe weans—  
West Lake!

Spanned by bridges few, but great;  
Teaches us to love, and hate  
All the things that satiate—  
West Lake!

Pontoons of the monk and nun,  
Gondolas and houseboats run  
Neath perhaps a scorching sun—  
West Lake!

Come you now to visit me;  
Come from near, cross-land or sea;  
Then your great reward will be—  
West Lake!

ALEXANDER CLAUDE GREAVES.



## SEAMEN'S GROUSE.

EXAMINATIONS ON LANDING  
IN AMERICA.

BRITAIN NOT TO MOVE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 16.

Replying to a number of questions in the House of Commons, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that the examination of seamen in New York was held under the United States Immigration Regulations of 1925. He did not consider that any useful purpose would be served by making representations, although the cases mentioned were rather an exception to the usual practice. He further declared that a Labourite suggestion of retaliatory measures would be hardly conducive to friendly relations between Great Britain and America.

## PREVIOUS DETAILS.

The following cables on the subject were published last week:—

New York, June 10.

The crew of the steamer "Paris" generally have been refused shore leave because after the usual medical examination at the quarantine station they were called on to submit to another examination at the pier.

It is understood that the liner officers backed them up. Only 30 out of 743 on the ship's register, who acted in ignorance of their comrades' action, underwent a second examination.

The imposition of a second examination began a fortnight ago, and has caused much dissatisfaction among crews of foreign vessels, who threaten to take up the matter with their Labour Unions.

Representations have also been made by the Consuls here and the Embassies and Legation in Washington.

## Humiliating!

New York, later.

The objection of the crew of the "Paris" to a second examination is based on the fact that they have to strip. They declare that they are humiliated by the idea of nude examinations.

"We are like one large family on board this ship. There are fathers, sons, and cousins. Think how embarrassing it will be for different members of a family to strip and run about naked together."

The French Embassy in Washington is trying to solve the problem of reconciling the men's modesty with the port medical regulations.

Meanwhile the crew of another French boat arrived and submitted to the examination without any ado.

## British Indignity.

London, June 12.

Seafaring circles are most indignant, according to a statement of the National Seamen's and Firemen's Union, at the "latest American medical stunt." The statement says it appears that the crews of the "Majestic" and the "Buenos Aires" were compelled to undergo the indignity of an extra medical examination, similar to that of the crew of the s.s. "Paris."

The statement points out that all British crews sailing from the British Isles are immediately examined by the Board of Trade and also examined at the Quarantine Station at New York, officers and stewards being exempted from the latest "frank examination," which it is contended, is therefore useless. The statement adds that a petition from the seamen, protesting against the examination, and urging the British Government to take up the matter, is being extensively signed.

## U.S. CURRENCY.

BIG PURCHASE OF SILVER  
FOR COINING.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, June 16.

The Senate has finally approved of the Pittman Bill authorizing the Treasury to purchase 14,500,000 ounces of silver at \$1 an ounce for coining.

Seen this morning by a "China Mail" representative, the manager of one of the principal Banks said that, however large a sum it seemed, the withdrawal of that amount of silver would not be likely to effect the local exchange question, at any rate not in any appreciable degree. It only constituted two months' supply for India. It must be born in mind too that it did not come into operation until the President's signature was affixed.

## MISSING AIRMAN.

DUGGAN'S WHEREABOUTS A  
MYSTERY.

ARGENTINE'S APPEAL.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Buenos Aires, June 16.

The Argentine Government has asked the neighbouring States to search for Duggan, the Argentine aviator, who was last seen flying over Cayenne at 9.20 o'clock on Sunday morning, 13th instant. Nothing has been heard of him since.

## PREVIOUS NEWS.

Ft. de France, Martinique, June 5. Bernardo Duggan, the Argentine aviator, arrived here to-day en route from New York to Buenos Aires in a seaplane. He hopped from San Juan, Porto Rico, to Base Terre, Guadeloupe, this morning and from there to Ft. de France this afternoon.

Paramaribo (Dutch-Guiana), June 13. Duggan, the Argentine aviator, has departed en route to Buenos Aires.

## FRENCH ACE.

D'OISY TO MAKE A HALT  
AT PEKING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, June 15.

D'Oisy, the French aviator, has arrived at Chita.

A Paris report declares that in the event of D'Oisy's flight to Japan being impeded he will not proceed beyond Peking.

## DEFENCE PROBLEMS.

PLEA FOR A SEPARATE  
MINISTRY.

RESPONSIBLE "CHIEFS."

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, June 16.

In the House of Lords, Lord Thomson, who was Secretary of State for Air in the late Labour Government, asked the Government whether it had under consideration the setting up of a Ministry of Defence. He advocated a reconstructed Committee of Imperial Defence with greater executive power in regard to policy.

The Earl of Stratford, in replying, said that the essential element in the organisation of the present Committee of Imperial Defence was that, whilst it had every power to examine and initiate and advise, it had no power to order or to command. The policy of the Government regarding co-ordination was that all three Chiefs of Staff should meet together and form a Committee on their own, in which each would have responsibility, individually and collectively, for the advice which they proposed to give to the Cabinet. The existing heads of the three Staffs were already accustomed so to work together sympathetically and with anxiety to put their technical knowledge into the common stock.

Of Vital Importance. So important did the Government believe this to be that it was proposed that there should be a special warrant issued by the Prime Minister, in which the duties of the three Chiefs of Staff should be enumerated and emphasised. It would specifically state that they were singly and collectively responsible for the policy which they would recommend. They would take office with the full knowledge that one of their duties was, individually and collectively, to work to the common end.

## OIL POLLUTION.

INTERNATIONAL CONFER-  
ENCE'S RESOLUTIONS.

LIMIT FIXED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, June 17.

The International Oil Pollution Conference has passed a resolution recommending the establishment of a limit of 50 to 150 miles from the coasts of maritime nations within which the discharge of oil or mixtures constituting a nuisance should be prohibited.

Each Government should require ships flying its flag to refrain from discharging oil near the shores of other countries.

## LORD OXFORD.

WELL ON THE WAY TO  
RECOVERY.

HIS DOCTOR SATISFIED.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, June 16.

It is stated to-day that the Earl of Oxford and Asquith had a fairly good night, and that he is now well on the way to recovery.

The doctor is satisfied with his progress, but has prescribed a good rest.

[It was reported on Tuesday:—Lord Oxford and Asquith, the Liberal Leader, is ill at his country house in Berks. A bulletin issued this afternoon states that Lord Oxford's condition, though not serious, necessitates absolute rest in consequence of a mild attack of angina pectoris following influenza.]

## "HISTORIC MACAU."

CONFISCATED BY PORTUGUESE  
GOVERNMENT.

A FEARLESS CRITIC.

A book which has been widely read in Hongkong has been the subject of action on the part of the Macao Government who have confiscated such of the copies (said to be half of the 1,000 first edition) as are in Macao.

The book in question is "Historic Macau," written by Mr. C. A. Montalto de Jesus, some years resident of Macao, containing fearless criticism of systems obtaining in the administration of the Portuguese Colony.

## VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. orders by Major R. Melville Smith, M.B.E. Administrative Commandant, dated June 18, 1926.

The Administrative Commandant records with regret the death of No. 475 Sergeant Gilbert Evelyn Falkner, M.C. Reserve Company.

In future all men joining the Corps will be sworn in at Corps Headquarters in the presence of the Commandant. Swearing in will take place on Monday or Thursday every week if required at 6 p.m.

All Rifles and Bayonets must be handed in to Stores at once for overhaul by the Armourer.

Mounted Infantry Company. On Monday, 21st June, 1926, 5.30 p.m. Spoon Competition on Miniature Range at Corps Headquarters. 6.30 p.m. Lecture on Mobility by Major F. C. Roberts, V.C., D.S.O., M.C., at Corps Headquarters.

Armoured Car Company. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 21st June, 1926. Vickers Gun Instruction under C. S. M. Hancock. Drivers as detailed by Sergt. Bruce at Happy Valley.

There will be a Lecture on Mobility by Major F. C. Roberts, V.C., D.S.O., M.C., at 6.15 p.m. at Corps Headquarters, which those interested should attend.

The following drivers are passed as fully qualified drivers. No. 573 Pte. Goulborn, V. and No. 530 Pte. L. M. S. Lloyd.

Strength. The following is taken on the strength on June 14, 1926, and posted to Armoured Car Company. No. 1057 Pte. T. W. Southam.

Promotions and Appointments. The following promotions and appointments will take effect from June 19, 1926.

Mounted Infantry Company. No. 168 L/Corpl. T. W. Doyle, "to be Corporal. No. 560 Pte. A. N. Lucey, to be L/Corporal. No. 399 Pte. D. B. Peat, "to be L/Corporal. No. 4 Platoon: No. 949 Corpl. J. S. Rodrigues, "to be Sergeant. No. 835 Pte. E. A. Remedios, to be L/Corporal.

No. 5 Platoon: No. 249 Pte. S. Hope, "to be L/Corporal. No. 623 Pte. P. M. Stewart, to be L/Corporal.

No. 7 Platoon: No. 569 L/Cpl. R. K. Hepburn, to be Corporal.

Transfer. No. 827 Pte. W. D. Goodfellow, M.C. is transferred from No. 1 Platoon to the Reserve Company, as from May 12, 1926.

Leave. No. 507 Pte. H. J. Armstrong, No. 1 Platoon is granted 2 months' leave of absence from the Corps from June 23, 1926 to August 22, 1926.

Resignation. No. 885 Spr. T. O. Edwards, Engineer Company is permitted to resign from the Corps, as from May 1, 1926.

Struck Off. No. 475 Sergt. G. E. Falkner, M.C. (Deceased) Reserve Company is struck off the strength on June 11, 1926.

G. E. SWINTON, Captain Adjutant, H.V.D. Corps.

## SHANGHAI SCOUTS.

GEN. BADEN POWELL WRITES  
PRAISING THEM.

(British Wireless Service.)

Shanghai, June 8.—Of particular interest to all those in touch with the Boy Scout and Girl Guide movements in Shanghai is a letter from Sir Robert Baden Powell that has been made public by Mr. Noel Jacobs, Honorary Secretary of the Boy Scouts Association here. The letter, which was addressed to Scout Commissioner F. C. Millington, follows:

Dear Mr. Millington, I was so sorry that I was unable to be in London to meet you on Friday, but I was lucky just to get a short chat with you when you arrived for the River Moot at the Albert Hall.

I have now had an opportunity of looking through the book of photographs which you were so kind as to bring from the Boy Scouts Association of Shanghai, and I want to thank you—and that most cordially—for it.

It tells me more than any amount of reports what the Association is like and how it is appreciated by its local supporters, and—more especially—how it is now housed in its splendid headquarters.

I am delighted to see that the Girl Guides work in co-operation with the Scouts and to realise that the smartness of both must tend to uphold the reputation of the two movements. No doubt their example will go far amongst others who see them and spread a better spirit of discipline, goodwill and co-operation.

I shall watch the development of the Scouts and Guides of Shanghai with all the greater interest now that I have them before my eyes, thanks to the excellent photographs which you have given me.

Please give them my cordial good wishes and best hopes for their future successes and good camping.

Yours sincerely, Robert Baden Powell.

## SUICIDE EPIDEMIC.

1,516 CASES IN 1925 IN  
BUDAPEST.

Vienna.—A terrible curse appears to have fallen on the city of Budapest. Nowhere else in years gone by did people drink the cup of pleasure with greater gusto and abandon than in Hungary's capital, but now an epidemic of suicide holds the city in its grip.

Since the beginning of the year more than five hundred people have committed suicide. Nineteen men and women killed themselves this week.

There were 1,516 cases of suicide in 1925 and 1,900 cases in 1924.

From Servants to Mistresses. All classes are represented among the suicides—from servant girls and clerks to fashionable women and captains of industry.

Most of the suicides are caused by financial ruin, and in some cases last letters refer to the writers' despondency about the fate of Hungary.

The most distressing phase of the epidemic is that women suicides preponderate. A characteristic feature of the new terror of Budapest is that shooting seems too expensive a method. Most people are unable to afford revolvers, and the greater number of deaths have been caused by turning on the gas or taking veronal.

Money Inflation Contributes. Economic causes of the epidemic are obvious. During the first period of money inflation the truth about Budapest's plight was veiled from people, but now that the currency is stabilised to a certain extent many in Budapest have awakened to find themselves beggared.

Wheat Victims. Speculation in the Chicago wheatpit has also contributed to the bankruptcy, and subsequent death of many farmers and millers. The middle classes and the officials of the diplomatic and consular services with fixed incomes have also suffered greatly.

Economic causes, however, do not explain everything. There is an important psychological factor. Hungary has had too much excitement. Bolshevism, the repression of Bolshevism, the white terror, extreme nationalism as shown in the "franc" forgery case, secret societies, incessant plots against neighbouring States, and the sudden descent from wealth during the inflation period to the present state of poverty, have proved too much for many.

In some cases it is the tragedy of an unbalanced mind; in others, the mad desire to squeeze the last drop of pleasure out of life which leads abruptly to the dropping of life as a loathsome.

So when Budapest dances it is frequently a veritable death-dance, for many know that it is their last.

## WOMAN'S SIX VICTIMS.

MOCKERY AND SINGING  
ROUND BODIES.

(British Wireless Service.)

A handsome woman of middle age, a nurse named Scierri, whose cold-blooded murders of six of her patients have horrified France, was at Nimes condemned to death. The death sentence, however, is not executed against women in France, and she will probably be imprisoned for life.

She confessed her guilt in three cases and the evidence showed her to be one of the most cruel and cynical poisoners in the annals of crime in France.

She poisoned her victims by administering pyralion, a substance containing arsenic. The accusation against her was not only of poisoning six people, but of attempting to murder several others.

Some of her victims had treated her and her child with particular kindness, and for others she had professed friendship. In no instance was it shown that she had any hatred for them, and the most she ever obtained by any of their deaths was 700 francs, found by her in the apartments of an aged couple, both of whom died while being nursed by her.

Taunting Songs. The Assize Court at Nimes was crowded when the trial opened, and the appearance of the prisoner produced a hush which seemed to be of horror. She sat bolt upright with a half-smile about her mouth while the terrible indictment was read.

The judge, when he questioned her, appeared to be more moved than she was, and begged her to complete her confession and at least to express a word of regret. But she listened without a murmur to his recital of her loose life and drinking habits during the war while her husband was at the front.

It was at this period that she appeared at St. Gilles and was engaged as a nurse by an aged spinster named Douard. The latter died in great agony and witnesses described how the nurse put her arms round the dead body and sang taunting songs.

Mocked Dead Lover. In the case of an old couple named La Chapelle, also under her care, she confessed that she gave them coffee in which she had put pyralion. She declared that she was prompted to do this by a woman named Rosalie Gire, with whom she was arrested; but who has been released. She charged Gire with complicity in the poisoning of a man named Rossignol, and the two women were later confronted.

Gire denied that she had ever been intimate with the prisoner, but declared that Scierri had embraced and made a mockery of her lover Rossignol, after she had murdered him.

The accused woman from the dock replied that it was the other who had suggested the crime. The two women screamed insults at each other until Gire was told to retire.

Among those in court were a number of relatives of the victims. One man whose wife died in anguish while being nursed by Scierri saved himself only by chance, and another woman, not yet recovered after taking drink from Scierri, came into court to denounce her.

A mental expert who has had the prisoner under observation declares that she is of medium intelligence, but is responsible for her actions.



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June 17—World Theatre: "Black Gold."

June 17—Open Air Ballet at Leo Garden, North Point, 9.15 p.m.

June 21—Al fresco concert on the Vicarage tennis court, Kowloon.

Auctions. June 18—At Messrs. Lammett Bros. Sales Room, household furniture and Canton blackwood ware, etc., 2.30 p.m.

Meetings. June 21—Half-yearly meeting of Hongkong Jockey Club members in Jockey Club Room Hongkong Club Annex, 5.15 p.m.

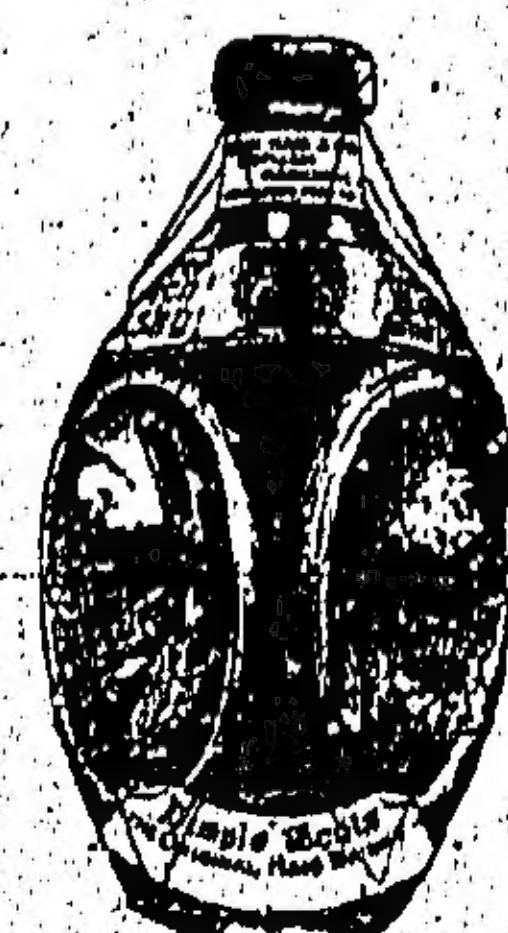
June 24—Second yearly meeting of the Hongkong Turf & Lighter Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Shawan, Tomes & Co.'s office, 11.30 a.m.

Miscellaneous. June 17—Official opening of new premises of the Institution of Engineer and Shipbuilders by H.E. the Governor, at 5.30 p.m.

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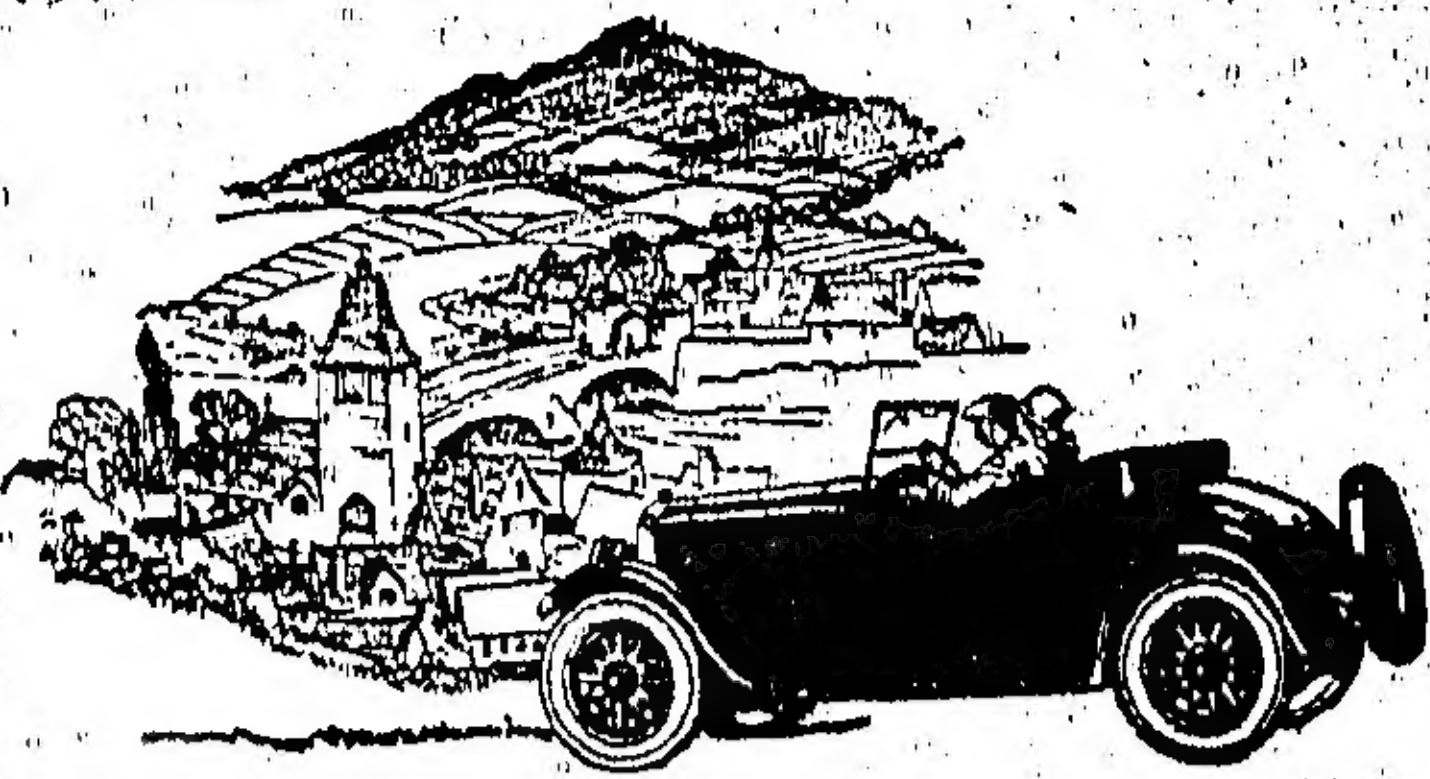
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL

The only local case of notifiable disease reported on Tuesday was that of a Chinese, suffering from enteric fever.

The summons, taken out against Sanitary Inspector C. Strange for alleged assault on an employee of the Lee Yuen firm, coconut dealers, 25 Lascar Row, will be heard at the Central Magistracy this afternoon.

A rather severe earthquake was felt in Tientsin on the 6th inst. at 9.05 o'clock. Although the tremor lasted only for two or three minutes, great excitement prevailed among the populace of the port, says the Chinese press.

A Chinese who was charged with stowing away on board the s.s. "Japanese Prince" from Shanghai and a steward of the vessel who aided and abetted by concealing the man in his cabin both pleaded guilty before Mr. J. H. B. Nicholl at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday and were fined \$50 each.

Batavia, June 8.—The International Congress of ships officers at the Hague adopted a proposal by the Dutch Indies organisation to try to obtain the abolition of the Straits Settlements Government's ordinance whereby a ship's captain is fined in the case of opium smuggling by crew or passengers.

Washington, June 7.—Merchant ships owned in foreign governments and operated for hire and the carrying of merchandise were declared by the supreme court immune from the American admiralty law. The decision is of great importance to shipping and establishes a policy that only congress can change.

The "Straits Times" correspondent telegraphs that the fruit season in Penang this year is abnormal. For the first time in nearly half a century durians and mangosteens are to be seen in every shop and by the roadside. In town, medium size durians are selling for three cents and mangosteens for one and a half cents. A number of lessies of plantations are suffering heavy losses owing to the abnormal supply from the mainland and other places. Owing to Malay fishermen looking after the plantations, fish is scarce and dear.

The two tallymen who claimed \$44 each from Holt's wharf in respect of wages for May and a month's wages in lieu of notice were yesterday afternoon awarded \$15.65 each, with costs, by His Honour Mr. Justice Wood, Pulaue Judge.

Mexico City, June 9.—A fourteen-year-old boy, Jose, was crucified recently in the jail at Ciudad Hidalgo, Michoacan, by the other prisoners there for having beaten his mother and grandmother. He was tied to a cross for two days, and no effort was made by any one to take him down, although hundreds went to see the spectacle.

Tokyo, June 10.—The Tokyo municipal authorities are greatly concerned over the demand said to have been made by certain French citizens that the Tokyo City Bonds which were issued in 1912 to purchase tramways, shall be repaid in British instead of devalued French currency. This demand follows a decision of a French commercial court in the Seine district.

A good deal of comment is taking place in Hankow Chinese papers in connection with the meeting which took place the other day in the Lao Pu Garden especially with reference to the trades made by the leaders of the Wu-Han Communist Executive. These openly avowed that they were in opposition to the local Government and would give a hearty welcome to the northern expedition from Canton. They stated amongst other things that they had dispatched a telegram to Canton urging the expedition to come north as soon as possible.

Incorrect scales used at fish and vegetable markets are due to carelessness in handling them, it was found as the result of the investigation recently completed by the Tokyo Municipality. The proprietors of wholesale stores at the market were severely reprimanded for improper care of the scales. The Tokyo authorities inspected 8,020 scales used by 699 wholesale and retail stores in the fish markets, of which 355 were found incorrect. More than 50 out of 511 scales used at vegetable markets were also found incorrect. In most cases, inaccuracy of the scales was due to the fact that they had not been cleaned for some time. Hongkong is in need of such an inspection.

Cases and deaths of cholera reported in the registration area of Bangkok on the 31st May are as follows: Total new cases 15; Total deaths 7; Patients removed to hospitals 13; Total in hospitals 72; Cases reported after death 5. Anti-cholera inoculations performed for the day 1,472.

Nome, Alaska, June 7.—Captain Clarink of the motorship Trader which returned to-day from a cruise among the islands of Bering Sea told a tale of death, starvation and cannibalism. He said 300 natives at Indian Point, Siberia, died of starvation last winter and that the survivors ate their comrades, relatives and dogs. He said many killed their wives and children and then committed suicide to end their misery.

Under the auspices of the American Geographical Society an observatory for measuring variations in the sun's heat is to be erected near the Brukaros Mountains, seven miles from Beersheba. Construction of the observatory is to be commenced immediately. As a result of the observations that are to be made, it is believed that it will be possible to make weather forecasts with greater accuracy than has hitherto been possible.

Manila, June 10.—The suspension of Lieutenants Fortus and Juban of the constabulary detachment in San Fernando, Pampanga, while the administrative investigation against them is being conducted, is demanded by Acting Chief Vicente del Rosario of the executive bureau, in a communication sent to the department of the interior yesterday. At the time, the bloody incident in San Fernando occurred, these two lieutenants were away from their posts and were in a neighbouring town.

Madras, May 19.—Acute distress is reported to be prevailing among the fisher folk in Malabar owing to a serious depression in the fishing industry consequent on the absence of the shoals which have given a wide berth to the Calicut coast. The fisher folk are under the jurisdiction of the Fisheries Department. Fishing operations on the coast are practically at a standstill; the fishal presses have almost all been closed and, trained to do no other work, the fisher folk are practically starving.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The University of Glasgow has offered the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Divinity to the Rev. H. F. Wallace, Principal of the Anglo-Chinese College, Swatow.

Those invited are reminded of the formal opening by H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi), of new premises at the Engineers' Institute at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

The Rev. Bro. Patrick, Sub-Director, St. Xavier's Institution, Penang, left on June 8, by the P. and O. "Malwa" on Home leave after being about 12 years out East.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Mactavish left Kobe for Home on retirement after thirty-three years residence in that port. Mr. Mactavish was a partner of the firm of Teverson and Mactavish. At one time he was connected with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Mrs. Mactavish applied herself indefatigably to benevolent and other institutions devoted to public welfare.

Colonel Harrington, Commandant, went on long leave on June 1. Colonel Harrington has completed nearly thirty years of service in Borneo. His leave necessitates several transfers of Constabulary Officers. Captain Cole-Adams goes to Sandakan as Officer-in-charge of the East Coast contingent and Captain Rice-Oxley comes to Jesselton as Adjutant. Captain Pearson will look after Civil Police work in addition to his Criminal investigation duties.

Although bare knees have been more or less the vogue in America for some time, it is only recently the English girl has seriously taken to the fashion, says a Home fashion paper. It has required no little courage, but already some brave pioneers have made their first public appearance and no doubt, like bobbing and singling, the fashion will spread to most of the members of the braver sex. The roll of stockings below the knee is by no means easy to fix. It is a tricky business to make it neat and firm, but such difficulties have no terrors for the average girl.

H.R.H. Prince George was aboard H.M.S. "Bee" when she left Shanghai on the 8th inst. for a visit to Yangtze ports.

Passengers departing for Manila yesterday by s.s. "Empress of Asia" included Lieut. Col. L. G. Walls, Lieut. and Mrs. J. N. Spry and Lieut. and Mrs. H. P. Rush.

Many friends will be sorry to hear that Mrs. Buchanan of Shanghai, who went to Mokanshan, the other day, where she has taken Mr. Tucker's house for the summer, fell down last Tuesday (June 8) and broke her arm.

Kobe, June 11.—Miss Hoppingstone, a stenographer employed at the Kobe office of the Rising Sun Petroleum Company, suddenly disappeared on Monday afternoon. It is believed that she started to climb the hills near her house at Tarumi but there has been no further report.

New York, June 7.—Twelve Jesuits, including two priests, en-trained to-day for Seattle where they will sail for the Philippines to engage in missionary work. Before going to the railroad station they attended mass in the church of St. Francis Xavier. The members of the group were chosen by the Reverend Laurence Kelly of New York.

The Far East was well represented at the Shakespeare birth-day celebrations at Stratford on Avon this year. There were representatives present from China, Siam and Japan. The Japanese in particular have become strong admirers of Shakespeare in recent years, and several quite creditable Japanese Hamlets have been played.

Harbin, June 8.—An Englishman named Backstep (?) who was arrested by the Soviet G.P.U. on June 1, on the charge of taking photographs from the window of the train at Taichang station, was released later and arrived here to-day. The Englishman is a merchant in Shanghai and is accompanied by his wife. They left the city to-day, continuing their return trip southwards.

San Francisco, June 9.—Filipinos and white persons cannot inter-marry in California, according to a decision handed down to-day by U.S. Webb, attorney general of the state, who ruled that Filipinos and Mongols come under section 600 of the civil code which prohibits inter-marriage.

Berlin, June 7.—A dispatch to Germania to-day from Munich says General Ludendorff's wife is suing for divorce, but that the case was adjourned to-day. No reason for the suit has been made public. General Ludendorff was one of the outstanding leaders of the German army during the great war.

Washington, June 7.—Chief Justice William Howard Taft was prevented by illness from attending to-day's session of the supreme court. At Chief Justice Taft's home it was said his illness was not serious, but that his physician advised him to remain in bed two or three days. It will be remembered that Judge Taft visited Hongkong some years ago when he was the hero of the "We Come" incident.

Calcutta, May 26.—The famous Zakaria Street mosque, which figured so prominently during the recent riots in Calcutta, will, it is understood, be pulled down and rebuilt at a cost of about Rs. 7 lakhs, and will when completed be a notable addition to the many imposing buildings in the city. The new building will be about 80 feet high and will be adorned with two graceful minarets. These minarets will be visible to ships in the port and will be used by the muezzin to call the faithful to prayer.

Shanghai, June 11.—Some excitement was caused outside the Shanghai Club at 11 p.m. yesterday when a Cadillac car, belonging to Mr. J. C. Hutchinson, suddenly burst into flames. The fire, which was confined merely to the engine, was caused by the spark from the magnet igniting a big overflow of gasoline. The Fire-Brigade was called out, but in the meantime the fire was extinguished by police who used the sandboxes recently installed on the Bund near the car parking place.

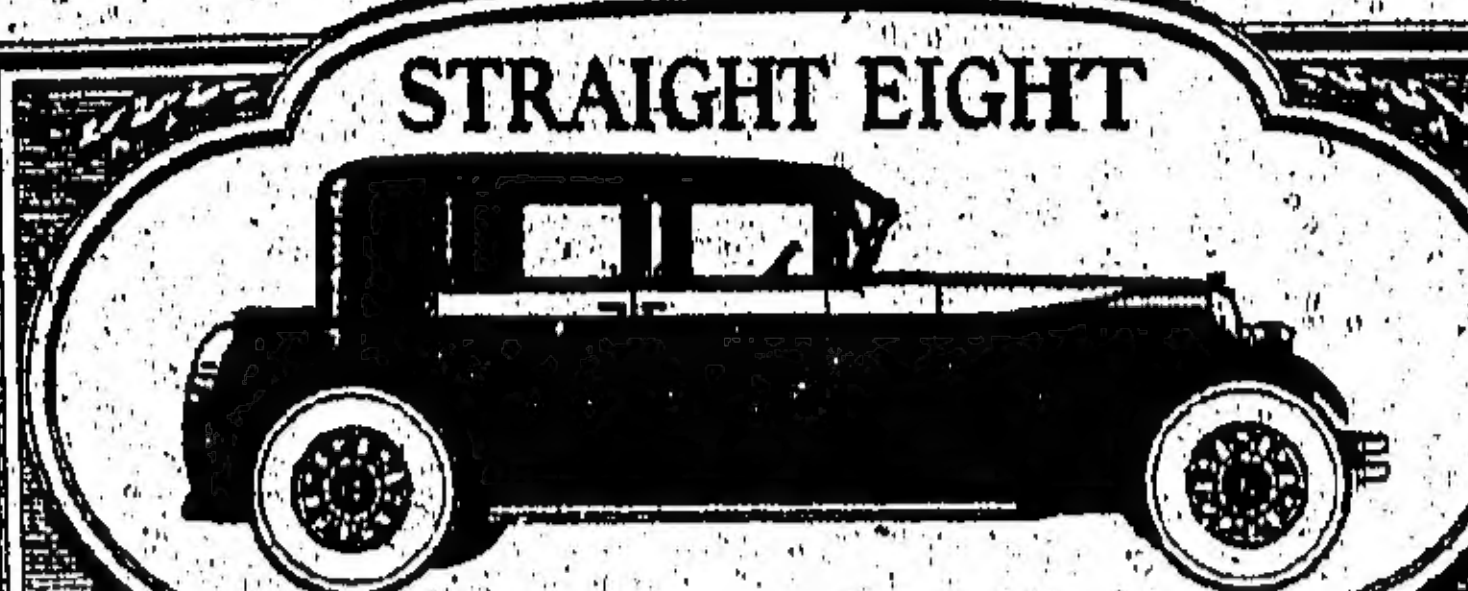
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## THE AUSTRALIANS.

RAIN PREVENTS PLAY AT SHEFFIELD.

RETURN v. YORKSHIRE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Sheffield, June 16.  
First day of return match between Yorkshire and the Australians.—  
The recent rains left the pitch saturated. Inspections were made at 2 p.m. and at 4 p.m. It was decided that there should be no play to-day.  
[The first match was left drawn.]

## HOME GOLF.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP STARTS WITH RECORD.

AMERICAN LOSES TEMPER.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 16.  
A feature of the first day's play in the open golf championship (qualifying competition) at Sunningdale was Bobby Jones's first round. He made a course record of 68.  
Melhorn, who scored 76, had a tantalising experience. He was consistently superb in approaching but failed in putting. "He broke a spoon across a knee, flinging the pieces to a caddy twenty yards away."

## H.K.C.C. TENNIS TEAMS.

The following teams will represent the H.K.C.C. in the Tennis League on Saturday at 4.15 p.m.—

"A" (away) v. U.S.R.C.—A. Brenley and R. M. Henderson; A. B. Raworth and G. Miskin; G. W. Sewell and A. D. Humphreys.

"B" (home) v. Netherlands T.C.—H. J. Armstrong and E. J. R. Mitchell; M. L. Dunbar and J. G. Laurie; L. M. S. Lloyd and M. W. Lyons.

"C" (home) v. K.C.C.—M. M. Watson and J. T. Prior; E. W. Hamilton and G. S. Hugh Jones; J. D. H. Crawford and A. C. Crowley.

## INTERPORT GOLF.

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club has received an invitation from the Shanghai Golf Club to take part in a proposed triangular interport at Shanghai, on October 9 and 11 (Saturday and Monday). The Manila Golf Club has also been asked to send their team.

## MORO CHIEF REBELS.

ALLEGED "UNWARRANTED SLAYING OF RELATIVES."

Manila, June 7.—One more Moro leader with a large following in Lanao has joined the rebel ranks as a result of what he believes to have been unwarranted slaying of members of his family by the constabulary during the recent drive against outlaws. He is Ammal Untad whose followers number about 700, according to private dispatches as well as the National News Service reports received yesterday.  
"Up to yesterday," said Ammal Untad in announcing his decision to join the outlaw bands, under his own brother the much-feared Ammal Ilio of Tugaya, "I was a neutral. I have been sneered at by my own people because of my indifference to their calls for me to support them in the fields, yet I abided my family titles to that I might be free to live alone in peace and seclusion."  
"But now that the constabulary have killed two of my wives, two of my sons and many of my relatives who happened to be in my brother's cotta at Tugaya, I have no other course to follow but to join my brother in rebellion against the government."

The "National News Service" reported that while the government launch, "General Blanco" was passing by Tugaya, approximately 100 rebels opened fire upon it. The soldier on board returned fire in view of the leaden hail that poured on them, it says. The dispatch also says that the Moros proved to be good marksmen.  
"The constabulary probably thinks that the Tugaya revolt is over, but they evidently do not realise that they are not half through with the fighting," the telegram further asserts. "This is proved by the fact that the Moros have begun to repair their cottas at Pandiaranno and Sumbaraganaso."

## HOME TURF.

ROYAL HUNT CUP (ASCOT) RESULT.

33/1 SHOT WINS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 16.  
The Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs, 166 yards) at Ascot resulted:—  
Crossbow ..... 1  
Embargo ..... 2  
Inca ..... 3  
Thirty-one starters. Won by a neck; 1/2 length between second and third.  
Starting prices: 33/1 against Crossbow, 100/7 against Embargo, 100/8 against Inca.

## CRACK SHOT.

SUCCESSIVE BULLS EYES AT BISLEY.

OLYMPIC MAN'S FEAT.

London, May 23.  
The Olympic shot, Mackworth Praed, made a British, possibly a world's record at Bisley yesterday, when he scored eight successive bulls eyes at 200 yards and seven at 500 yards.  
At the former range he fired at a 22-inch vanishing disk, which appeared eight times, remaining up only three seconds for each exposure.  
His seven rounds at 500 yards were fired at a National Rifle Association target which was exposed only for forty seconds.

## INTERNATIONAL SOCCER.

Toronto, May 1.  
The Dominion of Canada Football Association has sanctioned an international cup series between four clubs of the American Soccer League and Carsteel and Scottish of Montreal, and Ulster United and Toronto City, of Toronto.

This competition will take the place of the proposed international soccer league, which was opposed by American league clubs, believing that the international league schedule would decrease attendance at their regular games, and a cup series was considered the best way out of the difficulty.

The new green at the second hole, will be open to Happy Valley players, (of the Golf Club) this week-end.

On account of inclement weather, the qualifying round of the Kowloon Golf Club summer cup has been extended to Sunday, June 20.

## POLICE PRAISED.

FOR HANDLING OF MAY 30 CROWDS.

Appreciation of the tactful manner in which the Shanghai Municipal Police handled the troublesome crowds on May 30 last and thereby averted any serious trouble, or "incident," has been rendered by Mr. S. Fessenden, chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council.

Mr. Fessenden has sent a letter to Captain E. I. M. Barrett, Commissioner of Police, expressing pleasure at the "capable handling of a situation which called for exercise of much forbearance and restraint." These sentiments, states Mr. Fessenden, are the opinion of both the foreign and Chinese public.

"Mr. Fessenden's letter, published in the 'Municipal Gazette,' reads: 'Dear Captain Barrett,—Confident that there remains no further cause for anxiety in connection with the anniversary observance of the May 30 incident, it affords me great pleasure, on behalf of my colleagues on the Council and myself, to convey to you and to all ranks of the Force our congratulations upon the satisfactory manner in which, thanks to the tactful vigilance displayed, the events of May 30 last, fraught as they were with possibilities of grave danger to life and property in the Settlement, were tide over.'"

The Council feels that it is voicing the opinion of the entire community, both Chinese and foreign, in complimenting the Police Force upon their capable handling of a situation which called for the exercise of much forbearance and restraint in the face of intense provocation; that the Force proved equal to the occasion reflects the greatest credit on all concerned.

I am, Dear Captain Barrett, Yours truly,

STIRLING FESSENDEN, Chairman.

## AT WIMBLEDON.

HOW THE BIG 'UNS HAVE BEEN PAIRED.

DRAW IN THE SINGLES.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 16.  
At Wimbledon, in the draw (first round) of the singles, the pairings, among others are:—  
G. R. Crole Rees (Britain) v. O. G. N. Turnbull (Britain).  
L. A. Godfree (Britain) v. Jean Borotra (France).  
Howard Kinsey (U.S.A.) v. C. Dixon. Kinsey then meets J. B. Gilbert (Britain).  
Vincent Richards (U.S.A.) v. Jenken. Richards then meets H. Cochet (France).

## Ladies' Singles.

In the ladies' singles, the draw includes:—  
Mlle. Lenglen (France) v. Miss Browne (U.S.A.).  
Miss Helen Wills (U.S.A.) v. Lady Crossfield (Britain).  
Mrs. Shepherd Barron v. Mrs. Beamish.

## PING PONG MATCHES.

The ping pong match between the University Union, and the South China A.A. resulted in a close win for the University, by the narrow margin of 2 games, the score being 100 games against 98 to China.

## To-morrow's Match.

The following will represent the University Union against the Dockeyard Young Men's Club, at the latter's premises, to-morrow at 8 p.m.—A. A. Rumjahn, C. P. Choa, B. H. Wong, H. Y. Leong, T. M. Tan, and E. Zimm n.

## PALACE HOTEL BILLIARDS.

In the Palace Hotel billiards handicap, at 9 p.m. to-night, the postponed match between J. E. Ribeiro (owe 200) and W. Ogley (owe 30), will be played.

Yesterday A. McGinley (owe 200) defeated McCallum (scr.) by 250 points to 176. The winner compiled breaks of 22, 16, 21, 15, 28, 15 and 27. McCallum made a 19.

## "HOME RUN" RECORD.

Cleveland (Ohio), June 7.  
Babe Ruth, home run champion and King Swat of the baseball world, clouted his nineteenth home run of the season in a game with Cleveland here to-day. Ruth is almost within a third of his record of 59 home runs made in 1921.—"China Press."

## MERCHANTS IN HONAN.

TAXATION AND SQUEEZE BY THE SOLDIERY.

Kaifeng, Honan, June 2.—Marshal Wu Pei-fu paid a flying visit here on May 28, arriving at six o'clock in the morning and returning to Chengchow at noon the same day. For two days the city had been in gala attire for the visit, and twice the troops had lined the streets expecting to receive him, but without result. On his arrival he was taken to the main parade ground where a military review was staged for him, and then followed a dinner at the Dragon Pavilion, after which he proceeded to the railway station and quietly left for Chengchow.

Since the last political turnover we have enjoyed peace of a kind, but the merchants are being unmercifully fleeced in the matter of taxes demanded by the military. The latter control all freight cars and demand heavy "squeeze" for their rental. For instance the military surtax, so-called, on a 20 ton car from Chengchow to Kaifeng, a distance of 45 miles, is 80 dollars, and apart from this the merchants have to pay the regular railway rates, and like and charges of different kinds. I have been informed by a Chinese merchant that he has been notified the military surtax is shortly to be doubled. Foreign firms apparently are not compelled to pay this military tax.

## Good Crops Promised.

The wheat is now being gathered and promises to be a bumper crop throughout the province, while the prospects for summer crops are also good. There was distress in some districts through the winter, due mainly to the civil war, but the grant from the Customs Famine Surtax has been a great boon in relieving the neediest places. The grant to Honan has so far amounted to \$145,000, and is administered by a joint commission of representatives of the Honan In-



CHARLES GARLAND.

Although his attorney announced he had become reconciled with his wife, Charles Garland, wealthy contractor of the alleged love cult, "April Farms," was sentenced to prison for 60 days on a statutory charge.

International Famine Relief Association and the Honan Famine Relief Bureau. Approximately one half of the grant has been applied to direct relief and the greater half to famine relief labour. Of the latter the largest amount is being applied to highways, particularly a main trunk road connecting the Kienan railway with the Taihu railway. This is a mud road, now being graded and rolled, running from Chengchow to Kaifeng, and from Kaifeng through the districts of Chenliu, Kihshien, Sulchow, Ningling, Kweihshu and Yangcheng to Nannuchow. The latter is in Anhui so this last section of some 70 li cannot be built by the Honan committee, but it is hoped the Anhui people will see it done. The total length of this road will be 260 English miles. Branch roads to Chowkiakow and Yen-chueh, and to Pochow (Anhui) from Kueihshu are also considered in the scheme.

## Road Building.

The section from Chengchow to Kaifeng promises to be a very interesting bit of road. For the most part instead of running parallel with the Pienlo railway it will take the top of the South bank dyke of the Yellow River. This will be longer than the more direct road by some 15 miles, but will be less expensive to build and maintain, and will probably be the most attractive road in the Province. The top of the dyke is about 50 feet wide in some places, is of hard clay surface, perfectly level and free of dust, and quite 30 or more feet above the surrounding country. For most of its length the Yellow River, dotted with its boats, will be a refreshing prospect to those who have to put up with the dust and drabness of this very monotonous province.

In the building of this road the greatest difficulty and expense will

## TO SAVE SHANTUNG.

GEN. SUN CHUAN-FANG'S MISSION.

Peking, June 2.—On the eve of the proposed Chang and Wu conference, despatches from the south, especially from Nanking, are pessimistic. During a recent press interview at Nanking, General Sun Chuan-fang, openly denounced General Chang Taung-chang for his alleged misrule and illegal taxation in Shantung. General Sun says that since his victory last winter, he has maintained a "Monroe Doctrine" in Kiangsu, Kiangsi, Anhui, Chokiang and Fukien provinces, so that he has no grudge against any of his neighbours. But as Shantung is his native province and he has repeatedly been urged by his numerous fellow-provincials to send an expedition to "save" them from the maladministration at Tsianfu, he has no choice but to comply with this popular will of the Shantungites.

## Civil War With Shantung.

This means civil war with Shantung as there is no reason to believe that such a brave fighter like General Chang Taung-chang will give in tamely without a serious struggle with his invaders. This is the reason why General Chang strongly opposes the idea of his exchanging posts with Gen. Chu Yu-ping of Chihli and he is reported to be determined to fight out the issue with Sun Chuan-fang with or without Fengtien's co-operation.

General Chang Taung-chang is reputed to have an army of fully 200,000 officers and men and with Shantung and Chihli in his hands, he is certainly a very important factor to be reckoned with by his enemies. It is reported that Gen. Sun Chuan-fang proposes the appointment of General Chin Yun-ao to the Tsupanish of Shantung so that the present crisis between Kiangsu and Shantung involves Marshal Wu Pei-fu and Marshal Chang Taung-chang. General Chin's dismissal by Marshal Wu is particularly connected with this crisis. There may be important developments on the Chinese political stage shortly.—"A. N. A."

have to be faced at the Kaifeng end, where 80 miles or more from the city to the dyke will have to be made through a very sandy area, with pure sand dunes in some places. Consequently the Chengchow section is to be made last when it is seen how the funds will hold out. Our engineers have estimated that on an average \$100 a mile is sufficient to build these mud roads, apart from bridges and culverts, and this estimate has been confirmed by a recent investigation of Mr. A. J. Todd, Chief Engineer of the China International Famine Relief Commission, Peking, who travelled over most of the proposed road on his visit here last month.

May 30 passed off without much excitement on the part of the local students, though there were processions and addresses, but the generality of people paid very little attention to them. The Students' Union had issued instructions to all the schools calling for a four days celebration, and their notice contained very disparaging remarks about Marshal Wu Pei-fu, but this was before they knew that the Marshal himself would so soon visit Kaifeng. The result was that they were glad to compromise for two days—Saturday and Sunday—and very considerably moderated their procedure.

## Anti-Foreign Feeling.

The Christians held a united prayer meeting, and because of this the newspapers gave them credit for being very patriotic despite the fact that foreign missionaries were associated with them.

Still one felt that some of the Christians failed to show a proper Christian spirit. For instance the notice sent to the different churches calling this meeting said that the meeting was for the purpose of praying for revenge on foreign countries and particularly Britain. This notice was sent out by the leading Chinese worker in one of the missions, and was supposed to be read in the churches of the British Missions.

There is no question but that in the minds of the students and literati of the more modern type there is a strong smouldering resentment against foreigners and particularly against British. Anything is liable to fan this into a flame, and one feels that circumstances might very easily develop, making it necessary for foreigners, or at any rate British, to leave the province. With regard to British missionaries in Honan it is particularly fortunate for them that they have not spared themselves in Red Cross and famine relief activities during the last few years, and the local Chinese are grateful for the service that has been so ungrudgingly given in really constructive relief work in the province.—"N. C. D. N."

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JUNE 17, 1926, 10.30 a.m.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Shareholders' Association.	State Bankers' & Real Estate Society.
T.T. on London .....	2 1/2 3/4	2 1/2 3/4	2 1/2 3/4
T.T. on Shanghai .....	75 3/8	75 3/8	nom.
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank .....	1120 n.	1125 b & sa	\$1120 b.
Chartered Bank .....	£131 n.	£130 n.	£132 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B. .....	£20 1/2 n.	£20 1/2 n.	—
do. .....	£30 1/2 n.	£30 n.	—
P. & O. Bank .....	£13 1/4 n.	£13 1/4 n.	—
Bank of East Asia .....	£20 1/2 n.	£20 1/2 n.	—
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance .....	630 b. 650 sa	630 b.	£630 b.
China Underwriters .....	1.90 p.	1.90 b.	1.90 b.
North China Insurance .....	T. 145 b.	T. 140 n.	—
Union Insurance .....	277 b.	280 sa.	\$280 b.
Yangtze Insurance .....	37 1/2 b.	39 n.	—
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance .....	185 b.	185 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance .....	583 b.	585 b.	£580 b.
Shipping.			
Douglases .....	24 1/2 n.	24 b. 26 s.	23 b.
Hongkong Steamboats .....	6 b.	26 b.	26 b.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters .....	24 s.	26 n.	24 n.
Indo-China (Fr.) .....	20 n.	30 n.	30 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd. .....	46 n.	—	45 s.
do. (Hk.) .....	—	40 n.	—
Oriental Navigation .....	—	—	—
Shell Transports .....	92 1/2 b.	92 1/2 b.	90 1/2 n.
Star Ferries .....	66 b. 65 1/2 sa	66 b. & sa	£65 1/2 b.
Water-boats .....	15 n.	15 n.	15 s.
Refineries.			
China Sugars .....	24 1/2 n.	24 1/2 b.	24 n.
Malayan Sugars .....	35 n.	35 s.	35 sa.
Mining.			
Benguet .....	1 1/2 b.	—	—
Kailan Mining Ad. .....	47 b.	42 1/2 n.	47 1/2 n.
Langkats (Combined) .....	23 s.	12 n.	7 1/4 s.
do. (Single) .....	12 1/2 b.	12 n.	—
Shanghai Exploration .....	54 n.	5 1/2 s.	—
Shanghai Loys .....	7 n.	8 s.	—
Rauhs .....	5 n.	4 s.	4 s.
Tronoh Mines .....	65 1/2 n.	60 1/2 b.	—
Ural Caspians .....	8 1/2 n.	—	—
Docks, Wharves & Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & W. Wharves .....	£123 n.	120 1/2 sa	\$122 s.
H.K. & W. Docks .....	55 n.	54 b. 55 sa	58 n.
Hongkows .....	T. 175 b.	T. 175 b.	175 s.
New Engineerings .....	5 1/2 b.	T. 5.90 b.	5 1/2 b.
Shanghai Docks .....	105 1/2 b.	105 1/2 b.	105 b.
Lands, Hotels & Hides.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old) .....	10 1/2 b.	10.60 b. & sa	10 1/2 b.
do. (New) .....	65 b. 65 1/2 sa	65 b.	65 b.
Hongkong Lands .....	54 s.	6 s.	6 s.
H.K. Realty .....	5 n.	5 1/2 s.	5 s.
H.K. Territorial .....	14 b.	14 b.	14 b.
Humphreys Estates .....	95 n.	100 s.	—
Princes Building .....	7 n.	—	—
Rural Lands .....	—	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Swo Cottons .....	9 1/2 b. 9 3/4 s.	T. 10.10 s.	T. 9 1/2 b.
Oriental .....	2.80 n.	3 n.	2 3/4 b.
Shanghai Cottons (old) .....	55 n.	53 b.	53 n.
do. (new) .....	28 n.	27 b.	27 n.
Miscellaneous.			
Anton Ices .....	\$7 1/2 n.	\$7 s.	\$7 s.
Cements (comb.) .....	14 1/2 b.	14 1/2 b.	14 1/2 s.
do. (old) .....	13 n.	13 n.	12 b.
do. (new) .....	3 n.	3 1/2 n.	3 1/2 b.
China Buses .....	10 1/2 b.	—	—
China Lights (comb.) .....	20 1/2 b. 21 sa	20 1/2 b.	20 b.
do. (old) .....	15 1/2 b.	15 b.	15 b.
do. (new) .....	11.10 b.	10 1/2 b.	11 b.
China Prov. (comb.) .....	6 b. 6.10 sa	6 b.	6.10 b. & sa
do. (old) .....	—	—	—
do. (new) .....	—	—	—
Dairy Farms .....	19 s.	19 s.	19 s.
Lat A Wing (full pd.) .....	7 s.	8 s.	—
do. (part pd.) .....	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements .....	11 1/2 n.	11 1/2 b.	—
H.K. Constructions .....	24 n.	3 s.	3 1/2 s.
Hongkong Electric .....	68 1/2 b. 69 sa	69 b. & sa	68 1/2 b. 69 sa.
H.K. Developments .....	25 cts. n.	20 cts. sa	cts 10 s.
H.K. Ropes (comb.) .....	30 s.	30 s.	30 s.
do. (old) .....	10 s.	10 1/2 n.	10 s.
do. (new) .....	5 s.	5 1/2 n.	5 s.
Hongkong Tramways .....	25.20 b. 25.10 sa	25.10 b.	25 b.
Lane, Crawfords .....	9 s. 12 1/2 sa	9 s.	9 1/2 s.
Macao Electric .....	35 b. 40 s.	—	—
Mackintosh .....	10 1/2 n.	—	—
Nanyang Tobacco .....	—	13 b.	17 b.
Peak Trams (old) .....	16 1/2 b.	17 1/2 b.	17 b.
do. (new) .....	7.20 b.	8 n.	7 1/2 s.
Sinceres .....	11 n.	10 1/2 b.	9 1/2 s.
Singapore Trams .....	5 n.	6 1/2 s.	—
Taxis .....	4 s.	3 s.	—
United Asbestos .....	20 n.	—	—
do. (Founders) .....	—	600 n.	—
do. (Ordinary) .....	—	18 n.	—
Watsons (old) .....	13 1/4 b.	13 b.	13 1/4 b.
do. (new) .....	—	—	—
Wm. Powells .....	8 s.	8 1/2 s.	8 s.
H.K. Telephone .....	—	—	3.80 sa.

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Hongkong, 17th June 1926.	
In London .....	— 82 1/2
Bank Wire .....	— 15 1/8
On demand .....	— 15 1/8
30 days sight .....	— 15 1/8
6 months sight .....	— 15 1/8
12 months sight .....	— 15 1/8
On Paris .....	— 1890 nom.
On demand .....	— 1890
On New York .....	— 54 1/2
On demand .....	— 54 1/2
On Bombay .....	— 150
On demand .....	— 150
On Calcutta .....	— 96 1/2
On demand .....	— 109 1/2
On Shanghai .....	— nom.
On demand .....	— nom.
On Yokohama .....	— 118 1/2
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**People and Events in the News of the World****MRS. EVELYN COMSTOCK**

The report that Mr. Stanley Comstock, a real estate man, intends to wed the much-married Peggy Joyce brought forth a burst of indignation from Mrs. Evelyn Comstock. "He's my husband," she announced. "I'm divorced," he retorted.



At the Gordon Boys Home, Woking, founded as a national memorial to General Gordon in 1885, destitute boys are trained as musicians, cooks, farmers, engineers, and all occupations for which they profess a liking.



Mrs. Lyell El, former housekeeper for Mr. Robben Rich Baker, a millionaire, filed a \$250,000 breach of promise suit alleging she was disappointed after she had divorced her husband to wed him. He is said to have eloped and married her daughter.

**CHARLES F. MURRAY**

Charles F. Murray has been chosen as the handsomest senior at Fordham University. He is also a goal athlete, sings tenor, and his favourite drink is milk.



Bobbed hair and the cigarette have invaded China. Here is a typical Chinese flapper with the latest style Peking hair-cut and the conventional smoke.



A window cleaner who knew the difference between glass and diamonds is sought, following the disappearance of \$75,000 worth of jewellery from the apartment of Miss Muriel Wurts-Dundas, an heiress to millions.

**WAYNE B. WHEELER**

At the Prohibition enquiry Mr. Wayne B. Wheeler, leader of the "drys," was in a jovial mood when the "wet's" were given their opportunity to prove that the Volstead Act is a failure.

**GEN. PRIMO DE RIVERA****SEN. ALBERT B. CUMMINS****LEON TULIN****JOSEPH PENNELL**

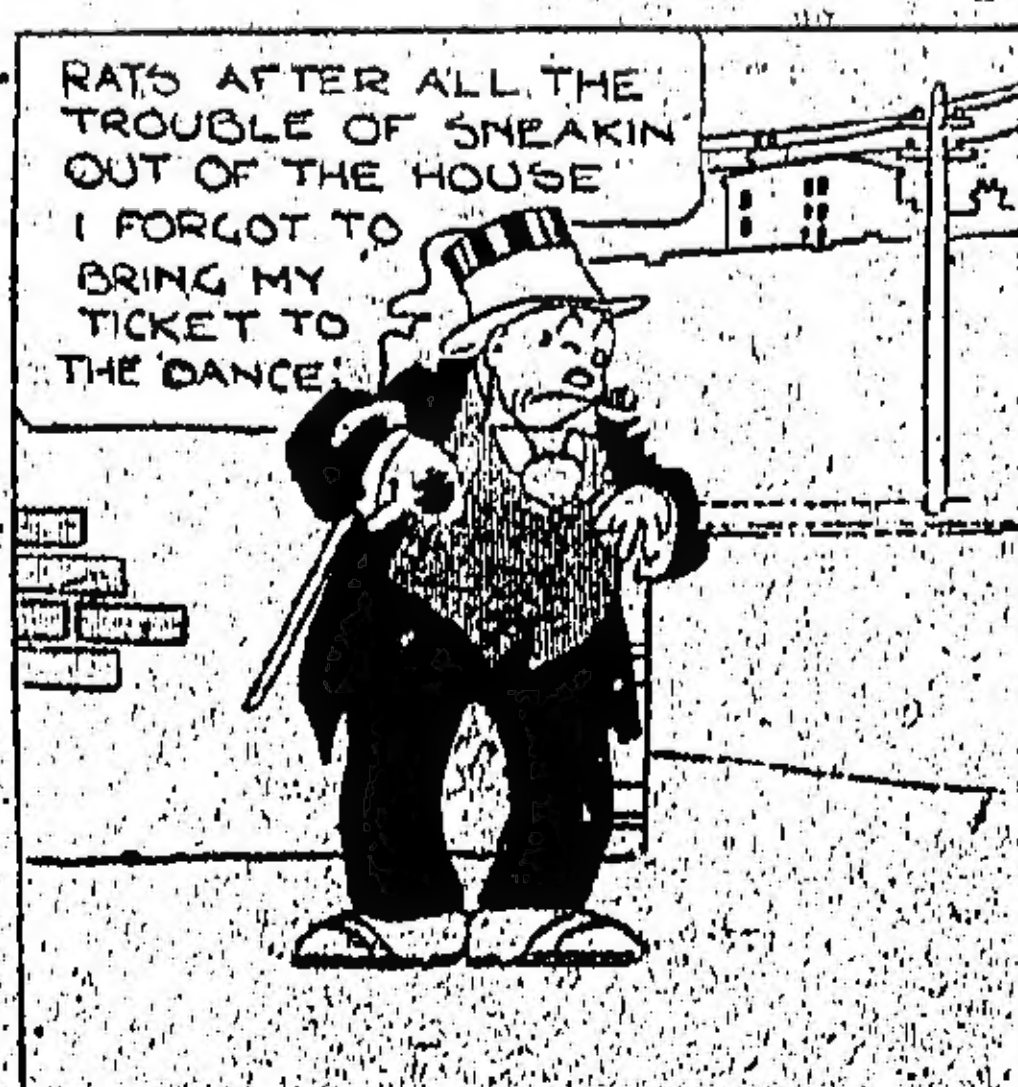
General Primo De Rivera, Spanish Premier. Senator Albert Cummins, of Iowa, declares that the denial of justice in the Federal Courts is shocking. Mr. Leon Arthur Tulin, 25 years, is the youngest professor of law in America. Mr. Joseph Pennell, a leading artist, died recently.



A New York judge dismissed a complaint of improper guardianship following the marriage of Frances "Peaches" Heenan to Edward W. Browning, 51—the two who figured in the "Cinderella Romance."

**DR. MIGUEL CRUCHAGA****HERBERT HOOVER****SENATOR SMOOT****SENATOR HARRELL**

Dr. Miguel Cruchoaga, new Ambassador for Chile. Mr. Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, who caused all the bother over rubber. Senator Reed Smoot led the fight for passage of the Italian Debt Settlement. Senator John W. Harrell tries to make out that the "dry" laws have not caused an increase in crime.

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## SHANGHAI'S HOSPITAL.

NEW INSTITUTION OPEN TO PUBLIC VIEW.

The new Country Hospital in Great Western Road, which represents the greatest gift by any one man in the history of Shanghai, has been completed and will shortly be opened. The hospital, which cost £1,500,000, is the gift of a Shanghai resident who wishes to remain anonymous, but whose name is well-known.

The grounds and the building of the Country Hospital were open for inspection to members of the medical profession and their wives last Friday, when Dr. Moore-Graham, who is temporary Resident Medical Superintendent, showed them round. Dr. Moore-Graham is acting temporarily to fill the position to which the late Dr. John B. Fearn was appointed.

### Most Up-To-Date.

On June 12 and 13 the general public of Shanghai was given an opportunity of inspecting the institution. The Hospital was open to visitors from 10 a.m. to noon and from 3 to 5 p.m., on each day.

The new Hospital, which stands in its own grounds of 25 acres, is the most up-to-date and completely equipped institution in the Far East outside the Peking Union Medical College. The very first impression of it induces pleasant reminders. None of the usual hospital atmosphere attaches to it.

The original instructions were that the structure was to have the attraction of a home, restful and reassuring, not forbidding as some hospitals are. The building as it now stands gives bountiful promise of fulfilment of these instructions and that here, indeed, is not a place of pain and disease but a symbol of buoyant health and the means of rich life. The building, with its columns, wide verandahs and stately appearance, standing in beautiful grounds, which catch the glint of bright sunshine and fresh air, is more like a country house or a sanatorium.

### Pleasant Aspect.

Not a semblance of the gloom attaching to most hospitals is to be perceived, and the acquisition of this pleasant aspect seems to arise from a gentle blending of the design and the location because from the windows on most sides, the vista to the patient is one of expansive lawns, beautiful shrubberies, pleasant walks and cool retreats hidden among the trees.

The entrance to the hospital is on Great Western Road, whence a road winds into the main entrance and, a turn on the right, to the ambulance entrance. This road is lined with flower borders, and a small quadrangle is planted with trees between which cars will be parked. The building, which is entirely fireproof, only doors and a few other fixtures being made of wood, is divided into three parts, the main or front building containing the wards and private rooms fronting south, overlooking the lawn. Its length is about 270 feet. At the rear is another building to house the laundry, machine rooms, refrigerator plant and the special technical rooms which include the large hydrotherapeutic department, etc. This is connected with the main building by a corridor.

### Impressive Reception Hall.

The main entrance to the hospital is in the east connecting building, and this leads to a lobby which gives a fine view, through an attractive reception hall, of the grounds beyond. At the other side of the lobby are the offices and telephone switchroom, etc., but everything is carried out with an eye to the attractive. Penetrating farther, the visitor finds himself in the reception hall, which is a masterpiece. It goes through two storeys, and with a wonderful marble staircase leading up to the rear building and the outpatients' department, it is so attractive in appearance that it has been described as more like an hotel lobby. Executed in beautiful marble and with large French windows overlooking the lawn, the hall is bright and distinctive, and an amazing artistic effect, with softness of tone and beauty of appeal, has been achieved with an entire

absence of detail. Flanked by the marble staircase here is a room of unusual beauty, in which antique Italian furniture plays a large part.

At the side of the hall is a small room which will be used as a ladies' room. The keynote of the rooms for visitors is a rural, restful and Italian Renaissance effect, giving the impression of entering a villa in Tuscany.

### Extensive Accommodation.

Beyond, in the west wing, are the quarters for the resident physician. On the other side, forming the ground floor of the west wing, are the general wards for men and the general ward for women.

There are five storeys and normal accommodation for 124 patients, but this number may be increased as time goes on. For instance, there are sun porches on the roof where 17 patients may be accommodated, especially in cases of tuberculosis, while it is possible to utilise the nurses' quarters on the fourth floor for patients' rooms if the demand warrants it and build another wing to accommodate the nurses. Fifty patients can be accommodated in private rooms and the remainder in wards built to accommodate 2, 4 or 10 patients.

On the top floor are the kitchens; the servants' quarters being detached in a smaller building in the compound. The kitchens are fitted with most modern equipment, including mechanical bakery, steam apparatus and ranges, etc. Food will be conveyed to the various floors down special elevators, and as there are two wings in the building there is a service room for each wing with electric heaters, etc. In addition, the food trolleys used to convey food to various rooms will be fitted with thermos boxes to retain the heat. The quarters for the matron and the nurses take up the whole of the fourth floor. Elevators run through the centre of the building, but there are ample stairways. The rooms and wards are on the other floors, half of the rooms possessing wide verandahs and big windows which, when open, catch delightful breeze. Blinds and screens are fitted and each private room has its own bathroom.

Interesting details of the rooms are the service and telephone installations. Twenty portable telephones are included in the hospital equipment, and can be used by fitting a plug in a socket. When a patient needs a nurse the call is sent but is silent, registering a light in the service room; another one over the door for the nurses' guidance and another on a main communication board in the matron's office.

The situation of the operating theatres is on the third floor in the rear building and everything is arranged with an eye to greatest assistance and convenience for the doctors. There are two aseptic operation rooms and one for eye operations, with sterilising cabinets, a sterilising room, dressing and waiting rooms. On the same floor nearby are the X-ray department, the urological dark room, the anaesthetising room, and the main sterilising room, together with doctors' room and the ophthalmic room.

### Latest Equipment.

Distinguishing the operating rooms is the cool air system which enables the doctors to cool the rooms and enable the performance of serious operations with weak hearts even on the warmest of days. This cooling system is also connected with the patients' rooms on the north side which do not get the breeze and the air which the south side rooms get. The floors are covered with rubber tiling to deaden sound and all the corridors, wards and rooms will be similarly covered.

On the second floor are the maternity operating rooms and together with maternity wards, and adjoining rooms are complete and extensive. The maternity operating rooms are fitted with double doors and with rubber lining so there will be an absolute absence of noise. Adjoining is a children's nursery and on the first floor in the east wing.

All the rooms are painted in the lightest of colours to preserve their airy character. All the doors are

painted ivory with the walls a darker shade. The operating rooms are painted an eye rest green, the proper tint having been discovered after some experiments. All the equipment for the new hospital is of the best and most modern types.

Mr. L. E. Hudoe is the architect of the new hospital and he has had much experience in this type of structure, and in the Country Hospital has brought out some entirely new features of hospital design. He has done his work well and when the hospital opens it will be a valuable acquisition to Shanghai and an institution of which the Settlement might be proud.

The terms under which the institution has been presented to Shanghai were made public by Mr. S. Fessenden, Chairman of the Municipal Council, at the ratepayers' meeting on April 14. Mr. Fessenden stated that the new institution will eventually take the place of the present Victoria Nursing Home, which will be sold or devoted to other purposes, and it will, of course, save the community the capital expenditure on the new hospital it was planned to build near the junction of Great Western and Edinburgh Roads.

The Country Hospital is to be for the benefit of the foreign residents of Shanghai without distinction as to nationality or religious belief. Under certain conditions, the admission of Chinese is provided for. Medical practitioners of any nationality are to be admitted to attend patients, provided they are qualified to practise under the laws and regulations of their own countries. No political or religious reasons, or the existence of a state of war, are to be allowed to interfere in any way with these conditions.

The Deed of Gift makes over the hospital and the land on which it stands to the Council on behalf of the community, and provides for its management by a board of nine Governors. These Governors have in the first instance been invited to serve by the Council in consultation with the Donor. The first Board is composed as follows:

- 1.—The Donor;
- 2.—Mr. A. du Pac de Marsoulies;
- 3.—Mr. G. A. Wulliamler;
- 4.—Dr. R. J. Marshall;
- 5.—Dr. Hans Theodor Carl Mertens;
- 6.—Dr. Harry Miller;
- 7.—Mr. Ellis Hayim;
- 8.—Mr. Toranzo Kikuchi;
- 9.—The Chairman of the Council.

Beginning in 1928, one-third of the Governors are to retire annually in rotation on the day of the annual meeting of ratepayers and appointments to fill the vacancies so caused are to be made by the Consular Body, by the American, British and German Consuls individually, by the Council, and the Donor himself, or after his death by the ratepayers.

The value of this gift to the community is in the neighbourhood of one and a half million taels. Not content with this, the generous Donor has further endowed certain wards in the hospital with the interest on securities value at \$40,000 sterling, and in addition he has promised a cash donation of £10,000 towards running expenses on the day the hospital is opened.

### CALL IT OFF NOW!

Peking, June 10.—In a meeting held to-day at the Dutch Legation several of the delegates of the powers interested in the Tariff revision programme held a long discussion as to how the whole affair, putting the blame on China, where it belongs, or try to come to some agreement with the nebulous elements that constitute the real government that is operating with W. W. Yen as stalking horse. The majority opinion, voiced in the face of strenuous objections by a certain power, was that to call it off now might stir the Chinese people to a sense of their responsibility for the chaos into which they have allowed their country to fall.

The most strenuous objector would listen to no argument not based on carrying out the Washington pact.—China Press.

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Commencing May 1 the rates for wireless messages to the river steamers "Lungshan," "Taishan" and "Kinsan" will be reduced from 50 cents per word to 15 cents per word with minimum charge of \$1.50.

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### FRENCH CRISIS.

M. BRIAND TO FORM NEW CABINET.

PRESIDENT'S TRIP OFF.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, June 16.

M. Briand has agreed to form a Cabinet.

An Appeal.

Paris, June 16.

M. Briand has set himself the task of forming a Cabinet "on a broad basis."

He has issued a statement appealing to the political groups, to sink their differences, make an effort of abnegation and self-sacrifice, unite in the best interests of the country, and consecrate themselves to financial reconstruction which, if not easy, is at least possible.

President's Tour.

Paris, June 16.

The visit of President Doumergue to Great Britain next week has been postponed by agreement between the French and British Governments.

His Majesty King George hopes to renew the invitation at a more favourable moment.

The New Cabinet Outlined.

Paris, May 17.

Adversity makes strange bedfellows. The French Cabinet, if M. Briand succeeds in bold, his project is outlined semi-officially, indicating that M. Briand will first approach M. Herriot, the leader of the most important group of the Chamber, and afterwards will seek to enlist the services of such diverse personalities like M. Poincare, the leader of the Union Republicaine, Leon Blum, the Socialist, and in addition the heads of the intermediate groups.

### EARLIER CABLES.

Paris, June 15.

The resignation of the Government came as an entire surprise, inasmuch as, earlier in the day, M. Briand in the Chamber opposed a demand for an immediate debate on the reasons of M. Pore's resignation and the financial situation. He promised it should be held on June 17 and hinted that he would resign on the spot if the delay were refused. The Chamber thereupon, by 309 votes to 195, fell in with his desire.

The Chamber meanwhile adjourned and subsequently the Cabinet met and decided that it was not possible to perform the usual reshuffling necessitated by M. Pore's withdrawal, and the only thing was to resign collectively.

Paris, June 16.

The papers unanimously urge a more energetic financial policy, and several state the Government should be granted full powers in order to carry out the plan drafted by the Financial Expert Committee.

### BLIND EVANGELIST.

RELEASED UNDER BOND OF GUARANTEE.

DEPARTED REJOICING.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, June 17.

Neil McIntyre (American) departed, rejoicing to fulfil revivalist campaigns following his release for six months under a \$500 bond guaranteed by his cousin, who is living in Chicago.

### "MONEY FROM HOME"

WAR DEBT PAYMENTS TO AMERICA.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, June 16.

Foreign War Debt payments amounting to \$77,783,000 made to the United States Treasury yesterday, comprising Britain's half yearly instalment of \$67,980,000 and \$9,000,000 from Italy, both in United States securities, are helping the Treasury to withdraw \$300,000,000 worth of maturing securities. The balance of the total will be made up by payments of cash from Belgium and other European countries.

### A RUM RUNNER.

DENIAL OF SELLING BY U.S. CRAFT.

A RIVAL, BLAMED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 16.

In the House of Commons, asked whether compensation had been obtained for the shelling of the Eastwood, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, replied that the United States Government had alleged that the Eastwood was a notorious rum-runner and denied that she was shelled by the Seneca. If she was attacked it must have been by a rival liquor craft.

Sir Austen added that further enquiries were being made.

### PREVIOUS REFERENCES.

A Washington cable of April 16 stated:—The Treasury Department have found the charge that the cutter Seneca fired on the schooner Eastwood to be without foundation. Officials stated that they had information that for over a year the Eastwood hovered off the coast, obviously intending to land liquor in the United States.

A London cable of April 21 reported:—In the House of Commons, at question time Sir Austen Chamberlain said that on February 23 Sir Esme Howard had requested the United States Government to enquire into the circumstances of the alleged bombardment of the schooner Eastwood. Sir Esme Howard on March 22 at the request of the Canadian Government and on behalf of the owners and master, protested against the action of the United States revenue cutter and asked for the result of the investigation request. No reply had yet been received.

### OIL CONCESSION.

RATIFIED BY THE IRAQ SENATE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Bagdad, June 15.

The Anglo-Persian (Transferred Territories) Oil Concession has been ratified by the Iraq Mejlis and Senate, after the opposition had objected to an extension more advantageous to keep to the old terms. The Iraq Government was previously entitled to 16 per cent of the net profits, as laid down in the original concession, and will now receive four shillings per ton until 20 years after the completion of the pipe line to the port, thereafter the terms to be subject to revision every ten years according to increased per thousand cubic feet of natural gas sold.

### CITY OF NAPLES.

HOPE OF RESCUING FIFTY MEN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, June 16.

A Navy Office communique says that the destroyer Urakaze reports that a group of about fifty are collected at the stern of the City of Naples. They are hopeful of effecting a rescue, as the wind was subsiding at ten this morning.

[The City of Naples (Captain O'Connor) left this port on May 30, for Shanghai and Japan ports. She is a freighter of 5,739 tons, built by Swan, Hunter and Wiggin in 1908 to the order of the Ellerman Lines Ltd. Her dimensions are:—Length, 418.3 feet; breadth, 58.3 feet; depth, 30.4 feet. The local agents are the Bank Line, Ltd.]

A message from Tokyo states: The Navy Office have received a wireless from the cruiser "Kasuga" reporting that all the crew of the "City of Naples" were rescued this morning after prolonged and hazardous exertions. They are now proceeding to Yokohama.

### COAL CRISIS.

EIGHT-HOURS DAY BILL NEXT WEEK.

LABOURITES ON WARPATH.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, June 16.

The Government will introduce next week its Bill permitting an eight-hours day in coal mines. The passage of the Bill into law will be hastened as much as possible. It is understood that it will be a short measure, probably consisting of only one clause, and that it may be operative for a period of three years.

Labour members are declaring to-day that they will fight the Bill word by word.

Will Miners Give In?

The view held in Government circles is that with the publication of the rates of wages which the coal owners have declared themselves prepared to give on the basis of an eight-hours day the miners will be disposed to accept an eight-hours day.

As the Prime Minister stated last night the coal owners have given positive assurances that, on the basis of an eight-hours day, over approximately half the country the men will be offered a continuance of the existing wage for July, August, and September. Over more than half of the rest of the country the reduction of wages asked, if asked at all, will be something materially less than the ten per cent already demanded. These wages will be guaranteed for three months, during which time the Government will press forward with its legislative programme, to give effect to the recommendations of the Coal Commission.

After Three Months.

After three months the wages will be based on the ascertained profits of industry, and it may be reasonably hoped that over a substantial portion of the coal fields the amount will be maintained and even increased. It is contended that in view of those "guarantees" the issue of reduction of wages should lose most of its weight, and it is argued that this issue, after all, has been more important in the minds of the miners than that of longer hours.

The development of the position is awaited with much interest.

### FOREIGN COAL.

EFFECT OF STOPPAGE IN BRITAIN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, June 16.

Since the beginning of the coal strike in Britain, pithead stocks in the Ruhr have been reduced by about 900,000 tons. New long term contracts with home and foreign consumers are being concluded daily. The stoppage, if it lasts much longer, will result in an increase in the production of coal not merely in the Ruhr Valley, but also in Silesia.

British railway companies are already enquiring about Silesian coal.

### A WAY OUT.

SOVIET EXCUSE FOR HELPING STRIKE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, June 15.

The Soviet in reply to the British Note, denies that the sums remitted to the British Trades Union Council were sent by the Soviet Government, but by the Central Council of the Labour Unions. It disavows the Government's responsibility beyond that involved by granting a permit to remit the money abroad, but points out that the Government cannot prohibit Trade Unions comprising millions of workers sending money abroad to aid the Trade Unionists of another country.

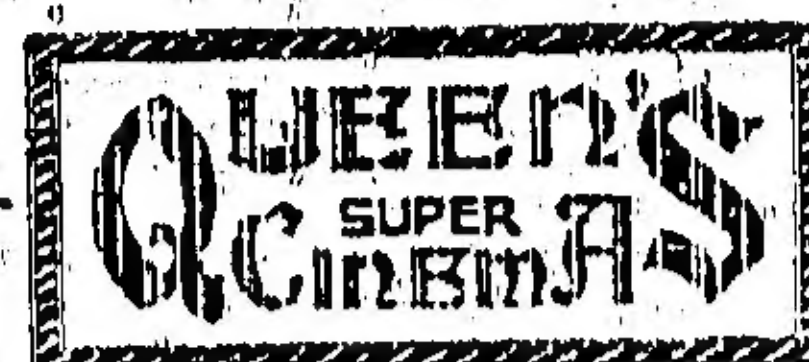
### WEMBLEY SITE.

PURCHASED FOR A SYNDICATE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 15.

The "Evening Standard" says the purchaser of Wembley site is Mr. James White, Chairman of the Beauchamp Trust, acting on behalf of a syndicate.



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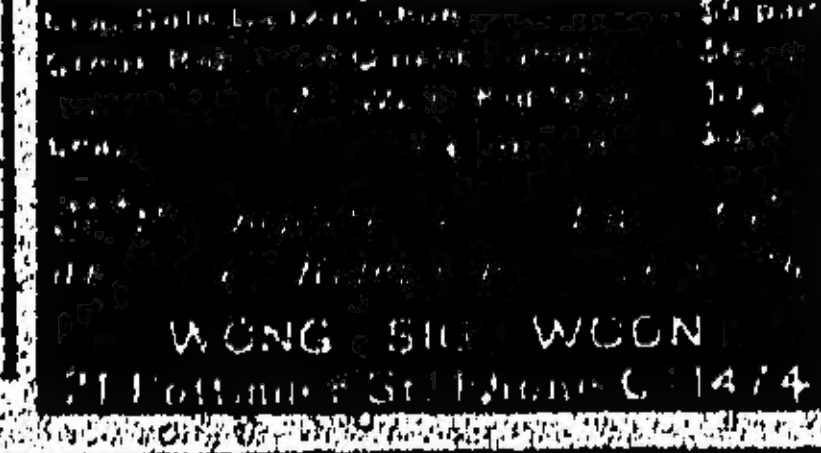
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